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NOTES FROM TUSKEGEE

PROF. A. U. CRAIG IN CHARGE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AT THIS POPULAR INSTITUTION

A RESUME OF HIS INTERESTING LIFE

Prof. Washington's Autobiographical Papers Give Great Praise To His Assistants--An Account of the Electrical - Progress at This Industrial College

One of the most charming features of Mr. Booker T. Washington's autobiographical papers that have been appearing in The Outlook, and which are to be published in book form by Doubleday, Page & Co., of New York, is the praise which he gives those who assist him in carrying on the work in connection with the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute. A recent writer has referred to the fact that Mr. Washington is supported by a great number of men and women who are technical experts in his various industrial departments as well as pedagogical experts in his academic department. In a short series of articles which I hope to contribute to this paper I shall refer to the work being done at Tuskegee by these important men and women.

The purpose of this article is to refer to Mr. Arthur A. Craig, in charge of the Department of Electrical Engineering. An article in the Electrical World and Engineer, October 27, 1900, gave to the engineering world the first extended account of the teaching of applied electricity at Tuskegee.

Mr. Craig was born at Weston, Mo., December 1, 1871. He was graduated from the Atchison, Kansas, High School, and was the first Negro boy to graduate from that school. In 1895 he graduated from the School of Electrical Engineering conducted in connection with the Kansas State University. The Electrical World and Engineer in its article said of Mr. Craig:

"It was in December, 1895, that Arthur A. Craig, a recent graduate of the Kansas State University, Lawrence, Kansas, relinquished his position as assistant to Prof. L. I. Blake, who has charge the electrical department in that university, to take charge of the division of electrical engineering at the Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala. Up to that time electrical mechanics, etc., had not been included in the curriculum of the Tuskegee Institute, but President Washington, solicitous that his boys be afforded opportunities for qualifying to enter so promising and remunerative a sphere, determined upon the establishment of a chair of electrical engineering and appointed Mr. Arthur Craig as its first occupant.

"Prof. Craig, though only 30 years of age, is a most accomplished engineer, enthusiastically devoted to his profession and gratified with the manner in which his students take to their studies and work and the progress they are making. He is the first young Negro who ever graduated from any institution as an electrical engineer; and with his splendid college record in the past, the success of his work in the present and his enthusiastic and sanguine hopes for the future, he is achieving distinguished success for the race which he is a talented member."

The electrical equipment of the school consists of an electric light plant, telephone exchange and annunciator systems of various kinds.

The dynamo which furnished electricity for the school is a monocyclic K. W. machine, giving 1040 volts at cycles per second. There is a small dynamo which excites this larger dynamo. The switch is of white marble and very handsome, being furnished with the necessary electrical instruments, switches, etc. This machinery was installed in 1897, when the new chapel was built. This chapel will seat 2,000 persons and the lighting of the building by electricity required incandescent lamps which are arranged after Mr. Craig's plans. The electric light plant is soon to be moved to the Slatero Armstrong Memorial Trades Building, where is installed a 150 horse power Ames automatic high speed engine and a 75 horse power boiler. These were given by the late Collis P. Huntington, the great railroad magnate, before his death. There is soon to be installed an additional dynamo of 75 K. W., which is now required to meet the school's necessities. The wires with a pressure of 1040 volts are carried to different centers, where there are large transformers for reducing the voltage. The current enters the buildings on three wires. The students of Mr. Craig's class installed last year 400 lamps, which, with those installed this year, make 700. Two buildings have the wires placed in iron armored conduits; with the others wooden moulding, which was made at the school, is used. How well this work has been done can be judged by the report of an insurance inspector who visited the school and said the work was perfect.

The extent of the grounds and the amount of business carried on between the several departments of the school requires the use of telephones. The students have installed a telephone exchange, with a capacity of 25 telephones. One of the student girls goes on record as being the first Negro "hello" girl in the country. All of this work was designed and installed by Mr. Craig and his students.

The town of Tuskegee, a mile from the school, has a population of 2,000. The city council made application to the school for the furnishing of electric lights from the school's plant. Mr. Craig made a map of the town and worked out a system of lighting, with an estimate of the cost of the installation and maintenance. This was submitted to the city council and will be acted upon as soon as the school's electrical machinery is installed in the new power house, at the Trades Building.

Mr. Craig is a thorough student, as his excellent working library and the number of the journals which are seen on his table evidence. He is a firm believer in technical education. He is also much interested in manual training and is an authority on Sloyd. He has studied Sloyd under Herr Otto Salomon, at the world famous Slojdarareminarium at Naas, Sweden.

Mr. Craig is a member of the Eastern Manual Training Association, and read a paper at the annual session at Cleveland, O., last June. He is also an active member of the National Educational Association.

The course of study outlined by Mr. Craig for the students who are attending the Tuskegee Institute is comprehensive and progressive. Mr. Washington considers himself most fortunate in having such a man as Mr. Craig in charge of this important division of work. The constant aim is to put such persons in charge of all the school's various divisions to the end that the Negro youth of the South may have as good a technical training as can be afforded. A new opening for employment is opened to them by such an important line of work as that of electrical engineering.

EMMETT J. SCOTT.

ALEXANDRIA CHRONICLES

Newsy Items in Brief from a Thriving Little City

Alexandria, La., special: It was quite a mystery to ascertain the death of Dr. Gray and wife, who very recently gave panorama entertainments in this city at some of the leading churches. It was learned, however, that Dr. Gray has been a recognized pastor of one of the prominent Baptist churches of Memphis, Tenn., which place he claimed to have been their last resident. It was rumored they were confined with smallpox. Apropos it was generally agreed that no indications apparently pointed to the slightest significance of its possibilities. However, they died suddenly and mysteriously. The investigation which is to be had concerning the matter will, no doubt, cast some light on the subject. * * Mr. George King and Miss Irene Brooks were quietly married at the home of the bride on Lee street, Thursday night, the 28th ult. They left immediately for Monroe, where they will be at home to their host of friends. Miss Irene was a reader of the Freeman, and we hope happiness and success will be her destiny. * * Mr. Tip Wright, who does the famous cake-walk, entertained the guests of the grand concert given by the Knights of Pythias, conducted by Mrs. Echley, with some of his masterpieces Friday night, the 1st inst. * * Mrs. Altoh Mitchell is on the sick list at this writing. The writer anticipates that he voices the sentiments of the many readers of the Freeman who know Mrs. Mitchell, to say that we hope a speedy recovery will soon restore her to society, business and pleasure, where she is so extensively missed. * * Dr. I. W. Young has returned from a flying trip to Lecompte, where he was called on business of importance. * * Some of our people insist on eating at hotels and restaurants built for the accommodation of whites only, spending their money where it is not needed and not wanted. The Freeman appeals to you to "use common judgement" and patronize your own enterprises when they have the same accommodations for less money. You know you can be served as well or better at Hunter's, Norris's et al., who have gone to expense to prepare for your convenience and accommodation, and yet we, some of us, contend and will go where we have to be served at a little side table in an obscure corner, among dirt and other things that would take away the appetite of a hungry lion.

A. U. CRAIG,

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VICKSBURG CHRONICLES

Church and Society Occurences by Our Hustling Correspondent

Vicksburg, Miss., Special.—A pretty home wedding was celebrated at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Moore, on Third N. street, 202, Wednesday, Feb. 27; the contracting parties being Miss Mary Moore and Edward Marbles. The presents were numerous and very useful, Rev. W. D. Porter officiated. Mrs. Ida Mitchell, of Ambrose Mitchell, died at her home on Lane's hill Monday. The deceased was well known for her many christian virtues, and a devoted wife, mother and friend. She was a faithful member of the King Solomon Baptist church upwards of 14 years, where her funeral services were held Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 3 p. m.: Rev. J. H. C. Henry officiated. She leaves a mother, husband and seven children to mourn their loss. The 20th Century club gave a grand masquarade ball at the State Golden Rule hall, Feb. 21. All the members of the club were masked; Louie Slaughter won the consolation prize. Refreshments were served in abundance. The success of same is due to O. U. Taylor and Edward H. Sterling. Leonard C. Buckner, a popular young man who is employed at the U. S. engineer's office here, is a constant reader of The Freeman. John McGee arrived home from Memphis, Tenn., last week. Mrs. R. H. Brooks left Friday night for an extended visit to Washington, D. C., where she will visit relatives and friends, Burrell Studevents is still making and repairing shoes. Orange U. Taylor, the representative of The Freeman, hereby gives notice to all his patrons that he has moved his office to South Washington street, where "That Freeman Man" can be found at any time. Don't forget to ask for The Freeman Place. The revival services at King Solomon Baptist church were quite successful.

Death and Pleasure News.

Zanesville, O., Special.—The following were called to the city by death of Charles Ford, Feb. 16: Mrs. L. A. Proctor and Miss Fidelia Ford, of Pittsburg, Mrs. John Matthews, of Cleveland, O., William Bates of Ashtabula, O., Mrs. Charles Toney and Mrs. Dan Guy, of Newark, O., and Mrs. Williams, of Renville, O. Misses Pearl Pinn, Petra Pinn, Mary Carlisle and Carrie Guy visited in Columbus, O., Sunday. The T. C. G's. gave their second party at the home of Miss Lizzie Singer, Friday evening Feb. 22. Mrs. Coulson was called to Quaker City, O., by serious illness of her daughter. Rev. W. R. Revels, of Toledo, O., is assisting Rev. Maxwell of St. Paul church in special meeting. Mr. Juluis Peyton is the guest of his mother in Washington, D. C. The funeral of the late Mrs. Laura Carlisle was held at the Baptist church Friday. The S. L. Nelson Sensation Co., will be in Dresden, March 21. Mr. Smith Rynolds is convalescing. Mrs. Rice Barnett is better. Mrs Gazaway, of Pittsburg, is the guest of Mrs. George Qualls of 8th street. William Tate has secured a position at Newell hotel Cambridge, O.

INTERESTING ITEMS

From a Missouri City, Gathered by Our Energetic Correspondent

Chillicothe, Mo., Special.—The Freeman is growing in favor in our city. Each issue is anxiously looked for. It is finding a place in many of the best homes. Miss Naomi Sawyer, teacher of room No. 1, Garrison school, has been on the sick list. Jennie Lewis, age 15 years, died at Kansas City, on the 16th inst. The remains were brought to this city and interred. Rev. D. S. Sawyer conducted the funeral services. James Banks, of the "Two Jims" barber shop, has been ill from vaccination. Green Tolson, one of our well-known citizens, left last week for California, where he has a good position. Miss Eliza Denny is visiting relatives in Hamilton. Mrs. Ruth Anderson entertained the Fancy Work Club last Friday afternoon. There is a "Jim Crow Car" bill before the General Assembly, now in session at Jefferson City, and there is no doubt but what it will become a law. Virgil Williams entertained the 20th Century Club, last Thursday evening, at his home on N. Fair street. Every one reports having had a pleasant evening. Rev. G. C. Chinn, of Macon, Mo., was here a few days taking treatment from our magnetic healer, Mrs. Rachel Payne. The concert given by the A. M. E. Church on the 22d inst., was quite a success. Miss Lena Tolson is on the sick list. Mrs. Virgil Jones and Miss Bertie Slaughter visited in Meadville last week. George & Hart's minstrels was in our city on the 15th. After the performance Messrs. Thompson, Gilbert and Murray, assisted by several others, gave the members of the company a banquet. Colored talent is always appreciated by the people of our town. Rev. G. D. Sanders, of Brunswick, Mo., preached at the Second Baptist Church Sunday. The regular preaching services at the A. M. E. Church were conducted by Mrs. Dorcas Watson, of Denver, Col. The high school department of Garrison school will have a class of five girls to graduate in June. It will consist of Misses Odessa Hillman, salutatorian, Lulu Nance, Hattie Parker, Sadie Sanders and Clyde Corinne Clark, valedictorian. The class selected the colors orange and white, signifying honor and purity, and a motto, "We launch to-night, where shall we anchor?" An effort will be made to secure Dr. N. O. Ricketts, now of St. Joseph, formerly a member of the Nebraska State Legislature, to deliver the address at commencement. The Freeman can be procured from the regular agent, C. W. Black. See him and subscribe for the best colored paper published.

MEMPHIS SOCIETY.

AN EXCERPT ON CHURCHS' DONATION BY REV. FLAGG OF AVERY CHAPEL.

THE DUTY OF THE NEGRO.

Social Functions Galore---An Appeal for the Patronage of Race Industries--Notes of General Interest.

Rev. Wm. Flagg, of Avery Chapel, preached an excellent sermon a few Sundays ago, taking as a text Nehemiah 4: 6, which reads as follows: "So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof; for the people had a mind to work." This sermon is one that ought to be heralded over the entire world, as it was so full of race pride, and touched on the condition which every true Negro ought to be found trying to equal. Rev. Flagg began his discourse by pointing out the necessity for a working mind, and as mind is greater than matter, if one possess that qualification the victory shall surely perch upon that banner. In speaking of the character from which this text is drawn, he pictured Nehemiah in the service of the king, surrounded by all the luxuries of life, living in the atmosphere of beautifully decorated halls. It seems as if no sorrow ever hovered there; but in the midst of all this social pleasure the man of the text remembered his people away down in Jerusalem being persecuted on every hand The sun of his countenance hid itself behind the veil of undescribable grief. Weary, worn and sad, this man of God went about the king's business from day to day. So at last the king asked him, "Why art thou sad?" The man answered, "O king, how can I be happy when I remember the sufferings of my people." At this point Rev. Flagg uttered words in the strongest of terms, which your correspondent thinks should be treasured by every one on God's green soil. It seems that the echoes are still ringing. The words are as follows: "Negroes should be as the man of my text. When one of your race is hurt it should hurt you. When you remember the heartaches of poor, unhappy Africa your soul should be filled with sadness." He (Rev. Flagg) implored his congregation to have a mind to work on the walls of a downtrodden nation; have a mind to work on the walls of Christianity. Your work, said he, is to make the world better and brighter; and I do think if any one has thousands of dollars to give away they should remember our little children that are being driven by thousands unto the jails and penitentiaries. They are crying aloud for a home of reformation.

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Mrs. Annie Sareford, of Aberdeen, Miss., who was the guest of Mrs. Frank Balling, 313 South street, has returned home. * * The social given at the residence of Mrs. Alex Williams, 338 De Sota street, was the swellest affair of the season. The following guests were present: Miss Mary House and Mr. Murry, Miss Martha House and Mr. Dixon, Miss Bessie Young and Mr. Stovall, Miss Matilda Turner and Mr. Henry House, Miss Jennie Taylor and Mr. Will Yancy, Messrs. Thomas, Rankin, Lewis, Wims and our worthy treasurer of the Freeman Association, Mr. P. H. Montgomery. * * Sallie B. Young, of Bolivar, Tenn., is visiting in Memphis at 161½ Ponttotoc street. * * Mrs. John Dunn is one of our leading ladies in musical talent. She is a graduate under the instruction of Mrs. Julia Hooks. * * Go to Robert Green's, corner Orleans and Polk streets, where you will find a full line of groceries and fresh meats of all kinds; also a fine line of wines and liquors are on hand. S. E. Green, manager. * * Miss Martha Hall, of Covington, Tenn., is the geust of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Eavens, 307 Air street. * * One of the most enjoyable events of the season in its simplicity of detail was the entertainment given by Mrs. Kate C. Scott, at her residence, 46 Humphreys street, in honor of Miss Pearlie Miller. The spacious dining room was

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TOM THE TATTLER, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

Some of our fashionable churches give the devil as much satisfaction as his most trusted agents of vice.

The attorneys for Jeffries and Ruhlin failed to convince Judge Hollister of Ohio, that prize fighting is the harmless amusement they claimed it to be. With much unction in their speech, they told His Honor that prize fighting was good for the health. Whether this be true or not I will let others decide, but as for myself, I have always found fighting, with or without the prize, a very unhealthy proceeding.

To weigh and consider the opinions of others is the mark of an intelligent mind; it shows that one is not intrenched and fortified in his own. "A dogmatical spirit naturally leads to arrogance of mind, and gives a man some airs in conversation which are too haughty and assuming. A dogmatical spirit inclines a man to be censorious of his neighbors. Every one of his own opinions appear to him written in sunbeams; and he grows angry that his neighbor does not see it in the same light."

I admire a man who vigorously maintains his opinions, provided, of course, he holds them after a mature deliberation; but if a person comes along, who has given the matter as much study, if not more, and ventures an opinion, he would indeed be a presumptious ass were he to spurn it.

Many a man in the profession holds opinions, which, were he asked to state why he does so would find it a very hard task, will dispute expert opinion, and set his own up as infallible. I remember years ago of witnessing a Bernhardt performance with a gentleman of the class concerning whom I write, and he told me that she was the most boring and ungainly woman he had ever seen. Upon my remonstrating he took me severely to task by saying if I admired her, then I knew nothing of the stage and its adherents. The fault with this gentleman was that he had formed an invincible opinion and nothing under the sun could change it. Sarah Barnhardt was too broad for such a narrow mind as he possessed to compass.

I heard Mr. S., not long since hand down an opinion, with all the weight and manner with which the Supreme Court hands down a decision, that one of our leading politicians was one of the greatest statesmen of our times, and upon my asking him what made a statesman, he, with all the blandness humanity is capable of, told me it was the power to control elections.

The profession is overrun with gentlemen who know nothing of Delsarte, or the first rudiments of the musicians' art, who will give you a windy argument supporting an opinion which they have hurled at you, and which isn't worth the breath spent in giving it utterance.

At the present writing Chicago has a plethora of performers, who are simply down and out. If you care to make statistics, stand on State street anywhere 'twixt 21st and 31st street, and every fourth and fifth man of color you meet will be a performer. Soon the "honky-tonks" will open and then many of them will be in their glory, for regularity in eating will be resumed again.

I would rather have the entire world for my enemy, than to hold a friend by the suppression of truth.

One thing about the average performer is if you give him fifty per cent. of authority, he will multiply it by two, and make it one hundred per cent. or all the authority,

It will not be long now until the robins nest again.

March is something like a large number of performers I know, it does a great deal of blowing.

It doesn't pay to be a Boxer at the present moment. Those in China are having a hard fate, and those in America are faring almost as badly.

Admiral Sampson, judging from his latest efforts at letter writing, can safely be put in that class of persons called "damphools."

Some of the sermons of some of our preachers should be arranged in acts; this would give their audiences a chance to go out, and wake up.

TOM THE TATTLER.

TUSKEGEE CONFERENCE

In Tenth Annual Session--Unprecedented Interest Taken in the Great Annual Conference--A Full Account of the Great Gathering.

Tuskegee, Ala., special: The tenth annual session of the Tuskegee Negro Conference was held at Tuskegee, Ala., in the Tuskegee Institute Chapel, Wednesday, February 20, 1901. These conferences afford an opportunity for the old farmers to have "one day in school," as they facetiously express it Representatives this year were in attendance from nearly every Southern State, from as far away as Texas and North Carolina. They came in every conceivable kind of vehicle from the broken down nondescript kind to well-painted, upholstered ones; also on horseback, on muleback and by train. The railroads of the South co-operate to make these sessions successful by allowing a rate of one and one-third fare.

In many ways the reports made by the delegates this year were in every way more hopeful and more encouraging than ever. There was no whining, no inveighing against unfavorable conditions, but a seeming determination to grapple with them and out of the struggle secure that which will make them happy and contented. Wherever the influence of the conference has been felt, the one-room log cabin, the curse of the South, has practically disappeared. Many of the houses that have been built during the last nine years are beautiful cottages of from three to six rooms, built after plans furnished by Mr. Washington to the farmers at these Tuskegee Negro conferences. The Secretary of Agriculture has been kind enough during the past few years to contribute seed for distribution among the farmers, and by the distribution of these seeds the family garden has become in this section almost universal. They are encouraged to give attention to the raising of the cow, the pig and poultry. They are also urged to raise their own corn, syrup, potatoes, fruits and other food supplies. In one respect more than any other these conferences have taught them most impressively the value of owning land and so stimulated them in the purchase of it that each year reports show thousands of acres purchased and paid for. Mortgages have been reduced, better preachers and teachers secured, sectarianism has lessened, the school term lengthened, and better relations established between the races. Another marked effect of the conference has been the bringing about of farmer's institutes and county fairs. These are becoming to be quite common. The largest one was held last October in Texas under the auspices of the Farmers' Improvement Society, of which Mr. R. L. Smith is founder and promoter. The exhibits show a wonderful growth in diversified farming, food supplies and products of the home.

In an article of this kind iti s not possible to give the testimony of the farmers who have prospered so well, but it will indicate the general trend when we mention that one man owns 565 acres of land that is well fenced and stocked and has a home of eight rooms on it which is comfortably furnished. Another owns 600 acres of land, has cured more than 5,000 pounds of meat, and has 32 horses and mules on his large plantation. In addition to the 600 acres which he owns and cultivates he leases 2,000 acres additional. This man has a nine-room house on his plantation and raises everything that should be raised on a farm. For his stock 225 bushels of corn are required a month for feeding. A hopeful thing about the whole matter has been the testimony given by many of the farmers as to the help which has been rendered by their wives. These things mean much to the Negroes of the South where they have lived in one-room cabins amidst conditions of the most revolting kind, and it is a hopeful sign when they begin purchasing homes and accumulating property in the way that has been doneu nder the influence of these conferences during the past ten years.

The keynote of the conference is expressed in the first of the declarations adopted by the conference, as follows:

"We have reached the tenth annual session of the Tuskegee Conference. During all the years since the conference was started we have clung steadily to its original purpose, viz., to encourage the buying of land, getting rid of the one-room cabin and the abuse of the mortgage system, raising food supplies, building better school houses, the lengthening of the school term and the securing of better teachers and preachers, the doing away with sectarian prejudice, the improvement of the moral condition of the masses and the encouragement of friendly relations between the races. In all these particulars we are convinced from careful investigation that substantial progress is constantly being made by the masses throughout the South."

The Workers' Conference held the next day, Thursday, February 21, was the best attended of any that has ever been held here. The Workers' Conference is composed mainly of those who are interested in the education of the Negro in public school, college, university. Bishops, journalists and professional men come together and exchange ideas as to the best methods of helping the race. The reports given by the farmers on the day preceeding are discussed and where there are weaknesses an effort is made to improve the people. Among those present this year who responded to Mr. Washington's invitation asking their presence and counsel were: Dr. I. B. Scott, editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate; Bishop Abram Grant, of the A. M. E. Church; Bishop Evans Tyree, of the A. M. E. Church; Bishop H. M. Turner, of the A. M. E. Church; Dr. H. T. Johnson, editor of the Christian Recorder of Philadelphia; Dr. E. C. Morris, President of the National Baptist Convention; Dr. C. H. Phillips, editor of the Christian Index, Jackson, Tenn.; Mr. Charles W. Chesnutt, Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, President Charles F. Meserve, of Shaw University; President W. H. Lanier, of the A. and M. College, Westside, Miss.; Dr. George Sale, Atlanta Baptist College; Dr. R. H. Boyd, Secretary National Baptist Publication Board; Dr. M. McVicker, President Virginia Union University; Dr. H. L. Morehouse, Field Secretary of the American Baptist Mission Society; Dr. Buttrick, President Board of Education of the American Baptist Home Mission Society; Mr. W. A. Hunton, Secretary of the International Committee of the Y. M. C. A.; Dr. W. H. Weaver, Field Agent of the Presbyterian Board of Missions; Mr. H. T. Newcombe; Chief of the Division of Agriculture, census office; Miss J. E. Davis, of the Southern Workman, Hampton, Va.; President Jas. A. Booker, of the Arkansas Baptist College, besides a host of others whose names space will not permit publication of.

A number of stirring addresses were made at the conference and most of them were forceful and eloquent. Every one seemed to feel that much good had been done not only by the past conferences but by the present one as well. Mr. Washington called upon Bishop Grant to close the Tuskegee Negro Conference on Wednesday, which he did in his characteristic way, and upon Dr. I. B. Scott, editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, New Orleans, to say the final word at the Workers' Conference. Dr. Scott is a strong and impressive speaker and his address was a helpful and optimistic effort and was a fitting close to the entire proceedings.

The influence for good of these conferences can not be estimated by those who do not know of conditions as they exist throughout the black belt of the South. The reports, pictures and addresses were all so helpful, encouraging and impressive that after meeting for ten years in succession the conference idea is as firmly implanted in the hearts of the people as ever before. The farmers of the South look forward to the meetings with interest from year to year and make special effort to get themselves in condition so as to make hopeful reports.

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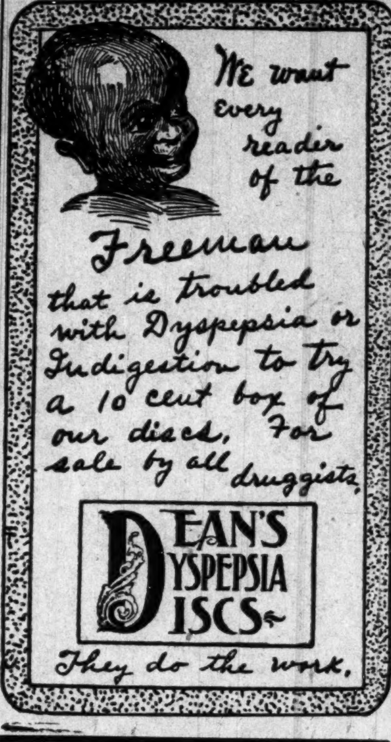

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Race Gleanings

Congressman George H. White has drawn up a bill asking Congress to appropriate $1,000,000 to reimburse the former depositors in the Freedmen's Saving Trust Company. It has been favorably reported by the Committee on Banking and Currency and will be reported to the House shortly. Mr. White believes that the bill will pass the Senate.

A colored colony enterprise is reported from Cape May, N. J. An option has been secured on 1,800 acres of land near that place, where it is proposed to erect a sawmill and work up what timber there is on the land into houses and factory buildings. A shoe factory and other industries are projected together with farming.

Has Reached Century Mark.

Coatesville, Pa., Special.—Rachel Potts, colored, of Coatesville became 100 years old Feb 21. She was born at Birch Run, Chester County, Feb 21 1801, and has lived here nearly all her life. She was twice married and was the mother of 16 children, eight of whom are still living. She also has 61 grandchildren, 63 great-grand-children and one great-gr dchild.

Mrs. ts has a brother living in Virginia, one in Camden, N. J., and a sister in East Whiteland. Another sister was buried last Saturday, aged 90 years.

The Earth In Science

From an article in the American Geologist on "The plan of the Earth and its causes" are taken the following curious facts regarding the arrangements of the earth's seas and continents. Two of these facts are evident on the most casual examination of the map. The first is the concentration of land in the northern and of water in the southern hemisphere. The second is the triangular shape of the geographical units. The continents are triangular with the bases to the north; the oceans are triangular with the bases to the south. A third striking feature in the earth's physiognomy is less conspicuous, but is even more significent. It is known as the antipodal arrangements of oceans and continents. It is the most easily recognized from the examination of a globe. Place one finger in the centre of the continent of North America, on the globe and another on the spot diametrically opposite. The second finger will be found to be near the centre of the Indian Ocean. Similarly the elliptical mass of Europe and Africa is antipodal to the central area of the Pacific Ocean; the comparatively small continent of Australia is antipodal to the comparatively small basin of the North Atlantic; the South Atlantic corresponds, though less exactly, to the eastern half of Asia; and the Artic Ocean is precisely antipodal to the Antarctic land.

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Daniel P. Slater, headwaiter at the Hotel Victoria, Nassau, N. P. Bahama, has become a member of the Head and Second Waiters association.

Wm. Hutton, formerly headwaiter at the Davidson Hotel, Milwaukee, Wis., and lately employed at the Montana Hotel, Anaconda, Mont., is now in Helena, Mont., residing at 209 S. Ewing street.

William Austin, formerly headwaiter at the Marion Hotel, Atlanta, Ga., is now in the Kimball House cafe.

Gleen Stranger, a waiter at the Colonial Hotel, Cleveland, O., and well known in Indianapolis, Ind., has formed a partnership with A. Brown and opened a first-class saloon and restaurant at Cleveland. The many friends of the above gentlemen wish them much success and prosperity.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 22, 1901.
"Received of W. Forrest Cozart, headwaiter Weddell House, the sum of thirty-five ($35 00) dollars on death benefit. Mrs. Geo. Washington, 145 Scovill ave."

S. A. Williams, headwaiter at the Metropole Hotel, Detroit Mich., has become a member of the H. & S. W. N. B. Association. Mr. Williams is a first-class European plan headwaiter, and enjoys the distinction of holding the Metropole longer than any of his predecessors, both white and colored.

Alonzo Leatherberry, of the Montana Hotel, Anaconda, Mont., has been on the sick list but is at his post of duty again. Mr. Leatherberry is a member of the H. & S. W. N. B. Association and is much thought of at the Montana.

Wm. J. Akers, junior proprietor of the Forest City House, Cleveland, O., has been nominated for mayor by the republicans of that city. Mr. Akers is very popular among the waiters of Cleveland, and they will give him their loyal support. Outside of the hotel world Mr. Akers is known as a man possessing sterling business qualities, which justly fits him to fill the responsible position of mayor. He is a staunch republican and is not a protege of any waring political faction, consequently he will receive the solid republican vote.'

The G. A. R. National Encampment will be held in Cleveland, O., September 9 to 14 At the last encampment which was held in Chicago, last August, Denver, Col., was selected as the next meeting place, but as the railroads refused to make suitable rates, the executive committee decided to select another city, and Cleveland was the lucky one. In order to secure the encampment a city is required to pay $50,000.

The waiters of Cleveland will no doubt reap a good harvest during the G. A. R., same as the Chicago waiters did last year. There will be no end to the "tipping" boys, so get yourselves in good trim.

W. E. Tucker, whose name appeared in last week's issue, among the staff of the Hotel Bon Air dining room, Augusta, Ga., writes as follows: "From self experience I have found it absolutely necessary to assign each and every man to his duties in the dining room department, that he may be held responsible for the same, and will in the meantime know what his duties are. Some headwaiters do not have regular silver watch while others do, etc. Now take silver watch, for instance. If you will allow the men to begin picking up silver, as they choose, more or less, some of the men will not do anything. Should you not be able to see them at all times, and the minute said parties are questioned about it they will readily reply: 'Captain, I have did my part, but John and Ed. so and so have gone and did not do anything.' Now, the work is half done, and the men have retired from duty—some of them. I suggest each and every man report to the officer in charge before retiring from the room at any time, and to avoid such service as mentioned above assign each and every man to his duty. Say one man on knives, one on forks, etc., and you can readily hold said parties responsible for the same. Should either neglect his duty it will show up on him. Then you can at once find the guilty man. I think headwaiters are in position to agree with me. I have had experiences of such while acting as captain, second waiter and headwaiter, likewise the above statement is a common occurrance among hotel men, and likely in many other instances, but I say in and among hotel men because I have not had any experience in no other work. I will suggest that each and every hotel, cafe and restaurant waiter read the Waiters' Manual and be governed by the same. By so doing you will always have a position in some place, and we will not be succeeded as often as we have been in the past by white waiters and waitresses Likewise I am sure you will be benefitted by reading the Manual Price $1.00. For sale by The Freeman book department, Indianapolis, Ind. W. F. Cozart author."

Since resigning the presidency of the Head and Second Waiters' National Benefit Association I have received letters from about two thirds of the members of the association, some requesting me to withdraw my resignation and others expressing regrets and wishing me good health and continued success etc As the letters referred to above are too numerous to attempt to answer individually, I take this opportunity to acknowledge the receipt of same, and to say that I highly esteem their confidence and friendship, and I assure the generous writers that if I have done anything in my humble profession to gain their friendship in the past it will be the ambition of my future life to retain and cherish that friendship, which I so highly esteem, that friendship which comrades can only possess

Yours sincerely,
W. FORREST COZART.

DINNER GIVING.

(By Arthur Houston, Chicago, Ill.)

The first criticism that I shall make upon ourselves generally about dinner giving is that we have too much. I have known of dinners where hostess would serve chicken, turkey, pork, ham, etc., and in the way of jelly she would have jellies of many kind; preserves, jam. This shows very poor taste and should not be. One kind of meat is quite sufficient, and never use more than two. One jelly is enough.

In planning for a dinner, of any kind, always give special attention to the marketing. Buy the freshest vegetables to be had. In the event of a special dinner have in mind how many that you are going to entertain and buy accordingly. I once served a dinner party for a lady of means, but she had the vaguest idea of marketing of any one that it has been my pleasure to meet. She was going to entertain seventeen guests, and she wanted to have cream of chicken, soup turbots of white fish and radishes. She ordered two very large chickens—enough to make soup for a hundred people—four large white fish—enough to make turbots for one hundred and fifty people—and enough radishes for about six people. You may easily see from this how very little some people know of their actual needs.

In arranging a dinner for company, or even every day life, always provide for a soup of some kind, one substantial meat—not pork—two vegetables, one of starch, such as macaroni, potato, rice or corn, and the other a green vegetable, as peas, asparagus or spinach. No dinner is complete without a salad of some kind. The acid of the salad is very necessary because it aids in digesting the meal that has just been eaten. After having served one or two meats for a dinner it is far better not to have a meat salad. A fruit or a vegetable salad is in better keeping. A nice fruit salad would be better—pineapple, orange, white grapes, pear—or combine some of these fruits and serve with a nice salad dressing. A good vegetable salad is of lettuce, celery, cabbage, cucumber, or combine some of these. A dessert always gives good finish to a dinner. The kind will, of course, depend upon the season. For cold weather have a fruit, plum or suet pudding or some of the rich pies—such as mince or lemon cream. For warm weather have a light dessert, such as Delmonico pudding, rice pudding, fresh fruit pies, or even fresh fruit. A water or fruit ice, sherbet or ice cream is always in season for a dinner whether it be formal or informal. The coffee, cheese and crackers are usually the last course of a dinner. The following menu will serve for a small dinner:

Cream of Celery Soup, filled of Beef,
Mushroon Sauce.
Maitre de Hotel Potatoes.
Green Peas, Lettuce Salad,
Cheese Wafers, Delmonico Pudding,
Coffee.

The following will be elaborate enough for most any occasion:

Blue Points on a Half Shell,
Chicken Bouillon,
Turbots of White Fish.
Cucumbers, French Dressing,
Fillet of Beef, Mushrooms,
Parisienne Potatoes, French Peas,
Orange Punch in Orange Baskets,
Breast of Praire Chicken,
Spiced Gooseberries,
Pineapple and Celery Salad,
English Cheese Straws,
Individual Ice Creams, Assorted Cakes,
Salted Nuts, Bon Bons,
Cheese, Crackers,
Black Coffee.

In another article I shall give recipes for some of the above named dishes.

THE ART OF CATERING.

In catering much depends upon the party catering and the party being catered for. I find in selecting food for any number of people, to be prepared in best style, great care must be exercised, both in preparation and serving. The slightest mistake, at times, will be disagreeable, which is very annoying to guest and caterer.

To start with, reliable waiters should be selected, with a competent and efficient headwaiter in charge. Sober and industrious cooks should be employed with a head chef that is thoroughly practical and up-to-date in his line of work. Each department must be well drilled and posted for all occasions. Punctuality and reliability their motto at all times during service of each department and staff. It is worth while to remember that the course of soup, which is the keynote of all good dinners, should be as represented and served accordingly. It has always occurred to me that every item of your menu should be as near perfect and as pure as it possibly can be, no matter how simple the relish or appetite may be, or how elaborated your roast or game dish is. If it is turtle soup let the turtle be seen in it. Let the service vie with it in every particular. Much depends on these for success. In regard to your detail work have it so arranged that failure is unknown. Start in time. Commence your work at proper time, and see that every one is doing his or her full duty while harmony and unison go together. In adhering to the principles on which cooking stands to-day, a few things should be kept in view, viz., shrinkage of meats, trimming before and after being cooked—poultry that don't turn out the number of cuts, fat ones that are too fat for certain uses, game that is over-ripe and mutilated by close quarters, etc. You are compelled to know and exercise judgment in refilling the losses and shortness that may fall to your lot. And, again, serving and handling your wines at the right course and temperature are quite essential and should be looked after by a competent person, An error in pouring wine is bad, and will cause confusion, and by all means should be avoided. Your salads cold pieces, meats, etc., would be better if kept in cold storage until wanted, as too warm a place causes them to lose their original form and flavor when served. (Cozart's Manual on Banquet Service should be read by waiters who intend to follow European service.) If we understand as we say we do the principles upon which catering depends, we ought to be able to make one dish of food combine with knowing the reasons for the result.

It is evident that in all classes of cooking two great principles are, and must be brought out—one to keep the flavor in, and one to keep the flavor out. The science of culinary work, every day, is receiving marked attention. The pleasure of the table is being planned and pointed out by many men of the profession and are being adopted every day. The gratification of the palate is not dependant of good cooking, but its influences on robust health and invalids. Steward and cooks often acquire facts, but not reasons. Why should meat be put in cold water to make soup, or plunge a fowl or leg of mutton in hot water to boil?

We have by actual every day hard work reached the acme, so far as it is now in our power, the different variety and qualities of eatables.

Americans to-day stand pre-eminent as entertainers in the very art the secret lies. That combines the furnishings of a fashionable dinner or society function of any kind. Old and rare wine antique glassware, dinner services in ancient stoneware, gilded menus, priceless souvenirs It has been only a few years the constant aim and desire of the ambitious steward and chef to secure that perfection of cuisine which constitute Brevity's quality and novelty in decoration and service, all of which are very condusive of radical satisfaction and benefit at this day to heads of each department and general satisfaction to the manager

While this day of enlightments and progressiveness are upon us, we draw the line as to the methods and uses of the old regime. From a gastronomic point of view, during the sixties and seventies, stewards and chefs vied with each other in lengthy menus. Their display of dishes was simply outrageous and enormous (quite often the style of the Romans, who were the greatest gluttons the world ever knew). It was no small thing to see four to six different soups on their bills, while seven kinds of pie, three st les of pudding—one frozen, one light and one medium, was an every day production. Pyramids of cakes and confection was exhibited at all times on their tables as center pieces. It stands to reason that quantity and not quality was their watch word, and I have in my possession menus of first class hotels of to day that still keep up the old standard and style of an enormous list of dishes, styled breakfast, dinner and tea, and the result is an enormous loss and waste at the end of each day and month. I am gconizant of the fact, and my colleagues will agree, that a menu of thirty-eight and forty items (namely, dishes) are like a large hotel. Why? Too many half-fitted and furnished rooms, while the menu is in the same fix—too many dishes, poorly cooked and badly served.

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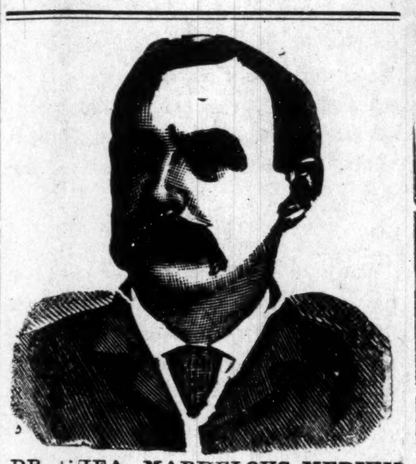

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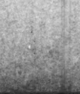

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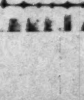

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A PILOT THE DEMAND.

The death of movements, the end of things insensate that have after a fashion lived, the finale of assemblies, the temporary closing of schools, the last sermon, which means that preachers change to new fields, all have depressing effects on individuals, varying in degree accordingly as the subject has been interested or associated with them. The last of anything is to be contemplated with feelings that approach awe. Death itself seems to be but an intensified end which seems a fitting climax to those more trivial endings as they stand when compared to death.

El ultimo suspiro del Moro, is a Spanish phrase found in Washington Irving's Conquest of Granada." It is "The last sigh of the Moor." The last of the Moors in Spain is a very pathetic story as told by Irving. In spite of their home filched out of the Spaniard's side, in spite of their detestation of the "Christian dogs" as they called the Christian, yet the career of Boabdil El Chico is one which awakens sympathy when knowing what the end meant. The root of his tribe was dried up in him who stood as it were personally responsible for the perpetuation of his race, the defender of his faith and the guardian of their homes.

"To protect the Trojans, to defend the crown,
To guard my father's glories and my own."

Of course he was not personally responsible, but he as a ruler felt so, and so did his people. They cursed the day Boabdil came to the throne. Yet it had to come. Spain could not endure that cancer forever.

Columbus tarried at Madrid or some place awaiting the issues of that war conducted under the banners of Ferdinand and Isabella of the Kingdoms of Castile, Leon and Castile, before he could present those monarchs with two continents.

The departure of Boabdil remotely reminds one of the spiritual passing of Negroes in our own country. Such an expression may look harmful in print, but in the light passing events the statement will stand the test. The passing may be but temporary as we are wont to say, but it is passing nevertheless.

Under whose leadership is this passing? Some may wail, "O that our Douglass had been here and we would not have died." In fact we heve no man in whom the voices of all are placed as in a great trust. It could be no worse if it were so.

The quality of allegiance to a single man or a set of men is not a natural attribute of the Negroes as they now exist in America. Yet there is no country that stands so much in need of some such leadership. Parnell and his long list of predecessors never forget the woes of Ireland. And what were her woes? A country won and ruled against her consent, that was all; yet it is much. But Ireland had no such grievances as the Negroes of America. Considered in the light of slaves, the Negroes' grievances are light; bu in the light of freeman they are revolutionary. It is only this week that the Irish are celebrating the birthday of Robert Emmet; "Let no man write my epitaph," etc. But the Negroes of America have the exact reverse of those qualities; reverence for leadership, memory and honor for those men and things that swung about their salvation. Douglass died none too soon for the approach of the gratitudeless and memoryless nation. Lincoln's birthday, he who stands next to Christ for Negro gratitude, is coldly neglected because a forcible reminder of humbler days. This is especially true of the North, not of the South, who honor Lincoln and Douglass by celebrating their birthdays.

If there is any analogy between Boabdil and any American Negro leader the distinction must be given to Congressman White from a political standpoint. It is here that the necessity for an autocracy in our Republic is quite evident—from a political stand point—a Negro autocracy or junto of complete undisputable authority. Congressman White will not covet the distinction of leading his people to a spiritual death as Boabdil did to a material one, yet if there is a leader at all; it is Mr. White. But the fact of the whole business there is none. Not that Mr. White could not have led, but because no one asked him to do so.

Booker T. Washington is not a political leader. He is essentially an educator, and as such he must be to the utmost conservative. His institutions depend on it; it is right. But a pilot to right about the Negro craft in America is a crying demand. He could not make things much worse.

A "UNIQUE" LETTER.

The action of the Boston Negro who wrote that "unique" letter and sent it to the Governor's office, we do not think, is indorsed. The letter is from one of those who feel that the Lord will pay back the evil meted out to the Negro race by some visible visitation of his wrath in one form or another. He feels that the Galveston horror was an example of his prophesies, and that Indiana is in direct line for "honors." There are far too many hugging such delusions. We will not say "hope," for we are not here to exact an eye for an eye or a tooth for a tooth. We are here to love those that revile us, at least to the extent of wishing them no bodily harm. We, Negroes of Indiana, do not desire to see any city or individual inflicted because of their misdeeds. "Teach men to be good by blessing them."

If God or fate are figuring in mundane affairs, we may rest assured that His plans will carry without our aid or abetting. If He has wrath stored up for them they will catch their hell in due time. We need not push the thing along. Besides such actions serve only to irritate. It is said that the letter, indicative of impending fate, is posted in a conspicuous place in the Governor's office—a curio.

Bishop H. M Turner was not allowed to resign as the president of the board of bishops; it was right. There must be some sentiment in life or it will not be worth living. However he bobs up with one of his crotchets. He says that the church should elect an Archbishop or a Pope at its next general conference. There is no selfishness in the matter since he absolutely refuses to be considered for such a position. It is no late conception; he has advocated it for twenty-five years.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 28, 1901.
Brother Geo. L. Knox:

Sir—Is it possible that Indiana has fallen in with the Southern States? While all good citizens deplore the lawless act, but, notwithstanding, the law should be the judge and not a lawless mob. I remain very truly yours.

J. J. MILES.

Yes, sir, it is possible; more than possible; an actuality. With you the good Negroes or Indiana deplore the acts of the Negroes and those of the mob. We do feel abashed at the Negroes' actions, but at the mob's, never. There are some things that even mobs cannot do.

Hon. William F. Powell was recently tendered a banquet by the Haitien cabinet.

A NEW STAR IN THE MUSICAL FIRMAMENT.

Mrs. E. Azalia Hackley, who has appeared several times before Indianapolis audiences as a singer in the recent past, has made a decided impression in her favor as to her ability. She is a soprano of very high register, reaching high C with ease and evident pleasure.

Mrs. Hackley's voice shows the utmost cultivation so far as execution goes. This is shown by her vocal agility. This agility, coupled with a voice remarkable for what might be called "tallishness" rather than breadth, produces a brilliancy that causes admiration. Her voice shows considerable native sweetness in its tones, but not as much as might be expected. This is not apparent at once, owing to the transfixion caused by the skill displayed in the use of her voice—vocal agility. How did she ever succeed in mastering those musical intricacies? is in the minds of the listeners generally. The lack of native melodiousness to many will never be noted, and we note it as the only adverse criticism, and even then it may amount merely to difference of opinion. To elucidate; it will be remembered that the song, "Unless," her last encore, was the most soulful of all that she sang, yet it was the simplest song. This soulfulness was due as much to the sentiment of the song as anything else. This sentiment is not in all songs, and the voice cannot have such aids for soulful effects. Then, too, the song is one where the octave plays such an important part:

"Sweet as mother's voices calling
And children's answering back."

The audience, it may be believed, carried away the tones of that song with them not because they heard the song last, but because it was most sweetly sung.

Mrs. Hackley's music is of the highest order. Her La Villanelle was brilliantly rendered. Her encore, "Coming Thro' the Rye," a song sweet and effective, even when tolerably fairly rendered, was a little too elaborate at the finale for such a simple song. The finish was her own version; it was brilliant. To hang on the word "when" in that song sets it off sufficiently. It is meant for a simple song, just like the unsophisticated Scotch lads and lasses.

Mrs. Hackley's rendition of "Spring" by Henschel, was an amazing performance. "She ran up the scale and then down again." It is here that her voice gave evidence of its very high training. Her quips and trills were strictly professional. Her facial expressions were pleasing, her words distinctly uttered, her mouth a poem when fully open to her home coming tones.

In all of the above we mean to say that she sang well, gave evidence of very high artistic abiiity, and we have no doubt but what she is a thorough all round musician. She is easily the leading singer of the Negro race to-day. It is said that her husband is impressed with this city as a place of future residence. It is to be hoped that the city may be found congenial to her calling. Indianapolis would certainly welcome them.

Dr. W. P. Thirkield, of the Freedman's Aid Southern Education Society, addressed the Indianapolis Ministers' Association Monday morning of the present week. He is a white gentleman, a philanthropist who has long been associated with institutions and movements that had the betterment of the Negro race in view.

Dr. Thirkield thinks there is a mission for the educated Negroes in the South land. He is not opposed to the idea of industrial education, but he thinks there is a necessity for strong men, mentally strong, in the South to shapen the career of the many:

"The Negro race facing such conditions needs a body of educated men as their leaders and helpers; men in touch with the higher life of the world; men who know history; men who know of the struggles and triumphs of oppressed people in past ages; men who have intelligent trust and strength of purpose based on a large knowledge of the part Providence has played in the destinies of nations and peoples; large minded, virile men, who can feel with Gladstone in crucial hours, exulting over opponents, even in defeat. * * * Men who, in the fiery ordeal through which every race that has risen to power has had to march, men who have singing in their souls, the spirit of Wadsworth in his ode to Toussaint L'Ouverture:

Thou hast powers that shall work for thee
Air, earth and skies;
There is not a breathing of the commanding wind
That can forget thee;
Thou hast great allies!
Thy friends are exultations, agonies, prayers and love
And man's unconquerable mind."

We feel that Dr. Thirkield is emminently correct in what he considers a necessity for the race. At least, there is nothing to be lost. The race needs men who stand far beyond contamination's slimy ooze. It needs men who would die before they would betray a trust, wrong an individual or stoop to petty revenge.

These qualities are not yet too apparent in the race, but the demand is active. Is it in the racial fiber to subscribe to the qualifications?

"It is the Negro of courage and faith—a courage not physical, but moral; a high-souled courage in which the sense of immortality is strong; a courage, the very sinews of which have been wrought into steel by his mental wrestlings with the mighty problems of thought and life and destiny, forced on him in the higher education; that will sustain the Negro in the hard and strenuous battle for the higher life; for civil rights and political enfranchisement and for industrial emancipation, that is before him.

"Men may oppress and kill and bury the ignorant and unemancipated spirit. He will only groan and die. But bury alive such a living, intelligent, puissant personality developed and inspired by the higher training, he will not die. He will beat and break the coffin-lid."

Speaking of the great emancipators who have played the leading roles in advancing the causes of mankind the doctor says:

"Call the roll of the spiritual emancipators of men. Calvin answers from the College of Geneva; Luther from the University of Wittenberg; Jerome from the Universities of Paris and Prague; Wickliffe and Wesley from Oxford; Gladstone from the classic halls of Cambridge. Therefore, let us cling to the higher education for the elect sons and virile minds of every race as the sheet anchor of their hopes and the basis of their true enfranchisement among men."

The Negroes of this city should consider themselves extremely fortunate in having such a city as Indianapolis, Ind., as their home. The unanimity on the part of the white press in denouncing mob law, contributing so largely to the allaying of high feeling owing to the happenings of last week, the vigilance and the activity of officers from Governor down, the sentiment evinced in favor of the law by the citizens in general, are food for happy reflection on the part of Negroes.

Rev. D. A. Graham, formerly of this city, but now of New Orleans, has a lengthy article in the Times-Democrat of that city, of a recent date, in which he answers the charges that are urged against the race so frequently. The article is forcible as are all the utterances of Dr. Graham.

A "Jim Crow" steamboat law has passed the Legislature of Virginia.

PENCILINGS.

TO THE SOLDIERS OF THE PHILIPPINES.

Again the heaven sent truce of night,
Flags down the 'fray of the "firing line."
The blood thirsty toes gain brief respite,
From consumptive war, through her justice blind.
The grim, resolute, phalanxs of sullen mien
Depart, at night's stern and dark behest,
To the opposing camps, those pitiless screens,
From biting blasts—their "boon of rest."
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To the camp he sped, his home's small stead;
But a redemption to his tired eyes,
Plowing along 'mid dying, dead,
To the spot where his banner flies.
Ringed about the fire's cheerful glow,
Where sped around the seductive cheer,
His warlike brothers with mirth overflow,
But his heart, his heart, 'tis not here.
Beyond broad breasted Pacific and calm,
A scene more aluring than thi
Of war's distractions, the exploding bomb;
The home of his inexplicable bliss.
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The circle troupe lost the best of its group;
To his own lowly quarters he retires.
Here to sweet revery he's free to "stoop,"
Where hopes may bud and the soul aspires.
He sinks his hand to waist coat band,
And plucks from that cavern deep,
An image dear of her, his cheer,
Who lived in his native land.
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By the dimish light of the dullish torch;
Yet a flood to those feverish eyes;
The full, full front of the glarish sun,
Eclipsing the whole world besides.
Now converse sweet with face unfixed;
Opposed to the mask of the "firing line."
Deep gushed affection surged betwixt
The warrior love and the image divine.
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The hard, hard stare of the battle glare,
Surrendered to love's suffusing mask;
Affection's throne was established there.
Heedless of to-morrow's stern task.
Communings low as from waters slow
O'er pebly bottoms, to the slashing main
Did well from his soul in an overflow
And then flowed back again.
O cruel war! O cruel fate!
To shut us up so separate!
Who invented thee, cruel blunder,
Simply to rend our souls asunder?
Old Balboa, rage on in glee,
Your funeral dirge of mockery,
Your gaping waters can never drink me
Until I see her, thou cruel sea.

I will see thee with mortal eyes,
I swear it to the immortal skies,
My love for thee the gods can see,
They'll nullify the sea's decree.
Pestilence and dread disease,
Wring thy wrath from my breeze,
Perch thy fevers amid the trees
'Till my ship comes to carry me
To her home across the seas.
Soldier, dreamer, soldier lover, dream on.
Thy final reveille may sound, ah! soon,
That summons thee to the great beyond;
To a home above the shining moon.
'Twill veto your heart's legislation,
Until that martial spirit of the skies
Blasts down your effectual barrication,
For the grand reunion in paradise.

—Lewis.

COLORED BUSINESS MEN

Of Atlanta, Ga., Given Personal Mention By a Statistical Writer

Freeman Special, Atlanta, Ga.

I took a stroll over the city recently to see for myself what the race is doing along all lines of interest to the public generally, and to my surprise I found so many different kinds of enterprises in which our people are engaged I decided to send you the result of my investigation. First I found 52 Afro-Americans engaged in the tonsorial business; among them are, A. F. Herndon, Esq., H. J. White, Capt. M. H. Bently, A. Nash, J. H. Ellis, Starks Nollie, W. R. Finley, Frank Stratton. In the biocycle business I find three, G. Bony, G. W. Hatfield and M. Wimbish. There are three billiard and pool parlors, conducted by Schell & Dervis, Z. Sims and W. M. Kelley. Blacksmiths, carriage and wagon builders there are 33; among whom are, R. A. Geter, J. A. Davis, G. H. Farmer, S. L. Landrum, F. Boykin. Hotels and boarding houses there are twelve; Hotel Vendome by J. T. Schell; Mrs. Raul and Mrs. M. Ousby have first-class boarding houses. There is 92 boot and shoe makers; chief among whom are A. J. Delbridge, N. Holmes, J. H. Towns, Alexander & Jones, I. Westmoreland, O. H. Reeves. In the cigar and tobacco dealers I find four fine establishments, conducted by T. P. Pugsley, W. L. Jones, W. George and M. Long. There are 40 coal and wood dealers; the most prominent are W. C. Alston, L. Brown, A. W. Hill, D. V. Love, W. Richardson, J. W. Randall. There are two firms of contractors and builders, A. Hamilton & Son, the largest in the south, and Mr. Wilson. Four are in the dairy business, I. Speer, H. Dupree, A. Roan. Drs. J. R. Porter, R. D. Badger, W. B. Mortiershed and Halsey are dentists, and they are good ones too. There are six drug stores, the Gate City Drug Co., West Side Drug Co., Dr. McDougald's store, Jones pharmacy, Frasier Street pharmacy. J. W. Jones and D. W. Ryans conduct employment agencies. Among the 20 dealers in fish, oysters, game and meat markets I find A. A. Jones, Ellis & Co., J. O. Connally, Evan & Jones, Price & Co., Lovett & Arter. In furniture repairing and cabinet shops I find G. M. Holmes, the great singer, C. Hubert, J. Lynch, I. H. Tanner. I found 65 grocery merchants, C. C. Cater, I. P. Moyer, Willis Murphy & Son, Capt. J. S. Simonton, L. J. Price, I. G. Watts, Charles McHenry, W. S. Jennings and Peter Eskridge are among the most prominent ones. The laundries are the Electric and the Enterprise, in which many of the race are employed. H. L. Johnson, W. A. Pledger, T. H. Malone, and P. A. Allen are the race's lawyers; they are a brainy set. The Atlanta Age, republican leader, and The Atlanta University Bulletin make up the newspapers and periodicals of our city; Col. Pledger is at the head of the Age. There are eight physicians and surgeons as follows: J. E. Asburry, H. R. Butler, D. K. Greene, J. T. McDougald, Thomas L. Upshaw, J. W. Madison, W. F. Penn, T. H. Slater. Alonzo Cyrington and Thomas J. Henry are the plumbers and gas fitters. Printing establishments: The Tribune, Atlanta Age, S. L. Holsey, Morris Brown college. In the real estate business are Prof. A. Graves, the most energetic and the most popular business man in Atlanta, and Samuel Cunningham. There are 40 restaurants and ice cream parlors; Benj. V. Echols, L. Page, Mrs. W. T. Robinson, McCarty & Daniels, N. D. Barrett and James Walker are the leaders in this line of business. There are two saloons run by John T. Schell and Hillard Woolfork. M. McNair conducts the sewing machine business. Transfer companies: Green Johnson, Moses Murray, Charles Jenkins and Holland Mitchell move the people; they do an immense business. I found 15 tailors and merchant tailors; among whom are R. M. Cooper, O. F. Jones, W. M. Finch, W. T. Wilson, G. M. Howell, J. C. Huggins. D. T. Howard & Sons, L. L. Lee & Sons are the undertakers of the city.

I talk with the men of these various firms and occupations, and they appear to be happy, busy and prosperous, and since the election of McKinley they talk of enlargening their business. I was really surprised to find right here in Atlanta that so much was going on and I did not know it. It was an eye opener to me, and yet I live in Atlanta and was born here. What fools some men are! We have the happiest and the most prosperous people in America today.

ISAAC HUMPHRY.

Around Town.

Selma, Ala., Special.—Rev. E. J. Carter, after an attack of la grippe, is up again. Selma's electric cars are now running and the city is lively. Charles Lee the bicycle dealer, will manage the colored base ball team this season; the electric car line has promised him a special park in Nort Selma, and there will be some sport here. There is much disturbance in the ranks of the First Baptist church; Rev. C. J. Hardy, former pastor, returned to the city last week to collect, if possible, a back salary of $1,700. He was refused an opportunity to preach in the church he built, and all brotherly consideration denied him. Rev. Hardy placed his business in his attorney's hands, not as a suit against the church, but as a possible settlement of the matter the easiest way.

Copies of The Freeman can be found at Black's Hotel, Evansville, Ind., every Saturday. tf

PADUCAH HAPPENINGS

In Society, Church and About Town--Brief Items Galore

Paducah, Ky., Special.—George Byers, of Philadelphia, Pa., passed through the city last week, enroute to Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Silas Kivel who has been on the sick list for some few days, is a little improved. Will Robson, one of our colored brakemen on the I. C. R. R., was painfully injured in a wreck at Fulton, Ky., last Monday night, but is now resting easy. Master Baby Whitesing, of the Arcada section, is reported ill at this writing. Say, you young men who attended the meeting of the Golden Leaf club last Monday night, 25 ult., will have to stop going to the saloon and talking so trashy about the young ladies. Say, I did not tell Bill. Dr. C. A. Isbell, of the city, made a flying trip to Memphis, Tenn., to the bed side of his sick brother, the 27 ult. Say, N. let E., go, as she seemed to care otherwise. Miss Gabe Johnson, of S. 8th street, fell last Thursday and dislocated some of her limbs; she is improving nicely at this writing. Say, Broad Ax, George Byers, of Philadelphia, Pa., is in the city, and says he saw you while he was in Evansville. Mrs. Irene Jackson, of South 7th street, who has been on the sick list, is out again. Mrs. Josie Howard, of Ohio street, is on the sick list. J. I. Glover, of 1314 Clay street, is on the sick list. There was a certain gentleman went out in the garden to gather some greens for market last week, and while thinking of a certain lady burned the bosom of his shirt by smoking his pipe. Miss Lizzie Reed, of N. 8th street, is out again from a long spel of sickness. Say, Gip, how did you like the show at 2nd and Broadway Saturday? Miss Mollie Rowlett entertained Wednesday eve., a few friends at cards in the pretty home of Mr. and Mrs. Collen Thompson on Washington street. Please pay me for your paper; the press doesn't like "hot air." The members and friends of Buck's chapel met with much disappointment when it became known that Bishop Tyree could not be with them last Sunday. Walter Young was highly complimented for his assistance in the A. M. E. church choir with his cornet Sunday. Flem Steele is making rapid strides as a violinist; he expects to go to school some time this year. The members of the graduating class of '98 intend organizing an alumni association with three classes. We may expect a new resort for ice cream and refreshments this spring and summer by a prominent young man. Wm. Litt's shop caught fire last Sunday, but did little damage. Athletes and pugilists are getting numerous around here and many efforts have been made to let them show themselves in the ring. Alonzo Asford sends regards to all and aims to be with us soon. M. G. Brooks left on the 3rd inst. for Canton, Miss. Drew Dunlap was very ill last week.

Texas Sparklings

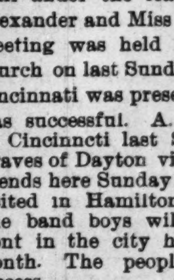
Navasota, Tex., Special.—Weather warm; farmers busy at work, and the government is furnishing seed to the poor farmers, and all seem to be cheerful and happy. Miss Laura Locket is spending a few days in Sommerville and Brenham. Miss Onnie Fountain spent a few days in Houston this week, a guest of Mrs. Mattie Beck. Prof. Lucius Harrison is in the city, and will be present at the Colored High School banquet given for the benefit of the graduating exercises. Miss Mary Bunnels, of Hempstead, spent a few days in the city, the guest of Miss Abbie Grice. Lee Baxter, Sr., a successful young farmer, has just finished getting 200 acres of land ready for planting. Evangelist Fife, white, of state reputation, preached at Lee Tabernacle, colored, Sunday afternoon at 3:30; the church was crowded with both white and colored, and the collection was good; Hon. A. F. Brigance gave the church $20. Tony Colbert was in the city this week. Mrs. Nannie Steele died on 26 ult. Lonnie Steele died on the 1 inst. Mrs. Mary Emma Johnson leaves Sunday night for Waco to make it her future home.

Rockford Items.

Rockford, Ill., Special.—Mr. and Mrs. T. Baxter and also Mrs. R. Boyd have been on the sick list. Mr. Phil Reed, the day porter at the Nelson Hotel has been very sick for the past week and is no better at the time of this writing. The Busy Bee club of the A. M. E. church gave a social March 7, at the G. A. R. hall. The teachers of the Sunday school have a voting contest for a quilt. The canditates are Miss M. Donley, Mrs. S. B. Moore and Mr. Blakely.

News Items.

Oxford, O., Special.—Mr. Eleigh Williams, Mrs. Nancy Rock and Mr. John Rockhold are on the sick list. Mrs. Mary Smith, the lady evangelist will assist Rev. Mitchell in holding protracted meeting. There will be a drama given in the city hall on March 14, entitled "The Spinster's Convention:" After the drama there will be a drill under the leadership of Mrs. A. Alexander and Miss M. Jones. A mass meeting was held in the First Baptist church on last Sunday: Rev. Logan of Cincinnati was present and the meeting was successful. A. W. White visited in Cincinncti last Sunday. Miss Eva Graves of Dayton visited relatives and friends here Sunday. Mrs. P. Cuzzins visited in Hamilton on last Monday. The band boys will give an entertainment in the city hall some time this month. The people here wish them success.



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RUSCO & HOLLAND'S NASHVILLE STUDENTS.—Madison, Ind, Mar 9

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THE ZOO (Frank C. Bostock, director)--Indianapolis, Ind, continuous and idefinite

Frank Clermont is writing a new march.

Clarence Jones sends regards to Tom Howard.

Bobby Kemp closed with the Nashville Students Feb. 2.

McKissick and Jones send regards to professional friends.

Charley Enid would like to hear from P. G. Lowery at once.

Gordon C. Collins has signed with George and Hart's minstrels.

Phil. Hubbard sends regards to Joe Pleasant, P. G. Lowery and Jim Morton.

Clemo and Flozo are still with Harrison Bros.' minstrels, and send regards to friends.

George Bailey sends regards to the Housely Bros., P. G. Lowery and all professionals.

Ben Toledo, the juggler, sends regards to the Hayward Bros., Dick Hayes and professional friends.

Miss Etta Miner is playing a two weeks' engagement at the Academy of Music in New York City.

Sandy Brown, Philadelphia, Pa.—John W. Isham is now at the Blooming-dale Asylum, New York City.

Prof. J. O. McNutt sends regards to all friends and out of the profession; would like to hear from Jim Morton.

L. E. Gideon, manager of the Nashville Students, W. R. Musgat and Prof. Frank Clermont were among our callers last week.

Furber and Davis are spending a very successful season with Rusco & Holland's Minstrel Festival. They send regards to all.

S. E. Dodd, cornetist, closed with the Nashville Students Saturday night in this city; he invites offers from responsible managers.

Ralph Nicolas and Charles Elgar send regards to Henry Carter, Frank Clermont, Byron family and all friends. They are now in New Orleans.

Saint Suttle, Thomas, Billy Carroll and A. L. Mason, members of Watson's "Coontown 400" Co, were pleasant callers at The Freeman office Thursday.

Owing to the death of his mother, Harry Fidler has cancelled his engagement with the Richard & Pringle's Georgia minstrels for the balance of season.

The ladies' orchestra and Philharmonic club of Clarksville, Tenn., combined and gave an entertainment at the Fifth Ward church of that city, Feb. 20, and an excellent program was rendered.

Miss Mattie Wilkes, assisted by Lewis Salisbury and Pankey, were special features with the Nashville Students during their engagement in Indianapolis. Miss Wilkes was suffering with a cold which greatly interfered with her work.

Hilliard Brewer has decided to sing "There is no Place Like Home" the coming season. While the birds are chirping a welcome to spring he will wed Miss Mary Seames, one of Chicago's well-known and highly esteemed young ladies.

Director-General Bostock, of the Zoo, was induced by the very urgent request of over 2,000 citizens of Indianapolis and the State of Indiana to continue the Zoo as an amusement institution. According to his instructions the Zoo is now open every night to the public.

Jesus Cenda, of Mantanzas, Cuba, was an interesting visitor at The Freeman office this week. Senor Cenda is a brother and companion to Senorita Chiquita, the Cuban midget, who is under the management of Frank C. Bostock, proprietor of the Zoo.

Billy Miller, Bobby Kemp, Harvey Goodall, Julius Glenn, Skinner Harris, Frank Kirk, Lewis Salisbury, Dan Desdunes, Marsh Craig, James Douglas and Mr. Campbell, members of Gideon's Nashville Students, were Freeman callers during their engagement in Indianapolis.

Rusco & Holland's Big Minstrel Festival was entertained by Prof. James Lacy, the esteemed band and orchestra director of that aggregation, while playing at his home in Clinton, Mo. All of the delicacies of the season were served in abundance by the professor's two charming sisters in good old Missouri style. Everybody present enjoyed themselves immensely.

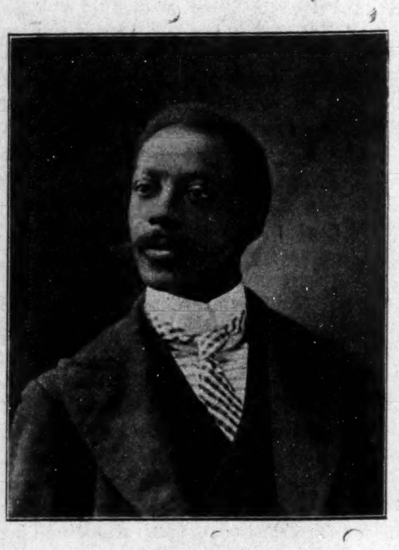
D. W. McCabe, manager of McCabe & Young's minstrels, writes that their company is still playing to jam business and says: "The 3 Williams joined us at Sioux City, Iowa. The Cuban singer and McCabe, Jr., and Miss Pansy Hunter are making quite a hit; while Rich and Mith have wonderful bass voices. We are going back into Iowa and Illinois when we leave Minnesota; all are well."

Ernest Hogan, America's leading colored comedian, made a decided hit during his special engagement at the Park theatre, this city, last week with the Nashville Students. His catchy and popular songs are being sung throughout the city. In company with Miss Mattie Wilkes, Lewis Salisbury, Pankey and Hon. J. Frank Wheaton, he returned to New York City Sunday to fill a ten weeks' engagement at $250 00 per week.

Notes from Coon Hollow Co., (western).—Albert Butler is making especially good and sends regards to all. "Kid" Asher and Alberta are cleaning-up and will be remembered to friends. Cliff C. Lewis, tenor, joined at Peoria, February 4 and is making good. "Punch" Jones, lately of Georgia Up-to-Date is a prominent feature in his specialties. We send best regards to all friends, professional and non-professional. Cliff Lewis says, J. Harry Jackson, write.

Arna Stevenson, an Indianapolis boy, who, this season, was with the Richard and Pringle's Georgia minstrels, was shot and killed Monday at Seattle, Wash., by Henry Graves, a member of the company. The men were playing cards in company's private car with three others. Stevenson was accused of cheating and attempted to strike Graves with a stool. Stevenson at one time drove the city patrol in this city. His remains were shipped to his mother in Chicago.

Notes from Watson's New "Coontown 400."—The company is doing good business, playing to crowded houses nightly through Indiana, and will commence their city engagements the latter part of this month, opening in Grand Rapids, Mich. We open in Chicago April 1, and then go East for the balance of season. Wm. Walker, trap drummer, has just returned to the show from a visit to Kokomo and Indianapolis, Ind. Hilliard Brewer sends regards to Pearl Brewer. Miss Georgia Dobbs sends regards to the Grundys.



PROF. S. E. DODD,
Eb cornetist.

This renowned bandmaster, after a successful season with Gideon's minstrels, closed with that aggregation last Saturday evening, and is now open for an engagement.

Notes from A. G. Allen's New Orleans Minstrels.—We are doing fine through this country. We had a wreck while in Greenville, Miss., causing us to run in Montgomery, Ala., behind time, but we showed the town to a large business anyhow. N. Barge, manager of No. 1 band, was in no hurry to leave Greenville as that was his birth place, and he met a host of his relatives and friends. M. J. Bailey, bass singer, closed in Evergreen, and will join the Whittman Sisters' Concert Company. Gus Stevins sends regards to Adrian, Brooks and Leroy Bland. G. B. Brooks sends regards to George Bailey and Prof. J. Lacy. The Williams' send regards to P. Chappelle, the Paytons and all members of Olympic theatre.

Harry Bryant's "Australian Burlesquers" is the attraction at the Empire theatre, Indianapolis, for three days, commencing Monday, matinee, March 11. The curtain rises on a new first part introducing a large chorus of pretty girls, costly scenery, elegant wardrobes and abounds in clever wit and attire. It is called "A Bargain Day," and introduces that well known comedian, Harry Bryant, and Miss Edna Urline. An interesting olio follows. A series of charmingly conceived situations have been devised, and these find an admirable culmination in the dainty and picturesque scenes which bring the final curtain. Thursday matinee, Ed. F. Rush's "Victoria Burlesquers" will appear the remaing six performances of the week. The company comes direct from New York City, where it has had a continuous run and given the best of satisfaction. It has a host of pretty girls, gorgeous costumes, new scenery etc.

The Slayton Jubilee Singers have finished their eastern time, and will soon be west again. Their work in the east has been highly satisfactory. The company leaves behind it an undying name both for the excellence of its entertainment and for its discipline and deportment. As a slight testimonial of the esteem in which the company is held, every date filled by it requested a return engagement next season. The company, ever alert to the demands of the times, has added some new numbers to its program. Mr. Washington is convulsing his audiences with "I am Waiting here for Julia." Miss Murphy is making a decided impression with her pathetic rendition of "Little Black Me." Mr. and Mrs. Helms have in rehearsal some new duets, which are very good and will prove winners. Mr. and Mrs. Tutt have added new laurels to their already extensive reputation while in the east this season. As grotesque cake walkers and fun makers they are unexcelled. The company had a very brief sojourn in Chicago March 6, and departed for the west.

J. Ed. Green writes from Chicago.—The coldest weather has just put in an appearance. The Shearrah Quartet is in town having closed with the P. G. Lowery combination. Elmore Dodd, the celebrated cornetist is in the city from the Lashville Students. J. Turner Wall, the comedian, return to the Mahara Minstrels the 9th. Slayton's Jubilee Singers passed through the city the 6th inst., en route to Milwaukee when they played on the 7th. Bill Nickols strengthened the bill at the Burley, Saturday night and his imitations made quite a hit. W. H. Proctor and his ragtime choiresters open Sunday at Victoria. The benefit for E. O. Smith will be given at the Turf Annex, Monday 11th. A musical program arranged by J. Ed. Green will be rendered; over 100 tickets have been sold at $1.00 each. J. J. Nolan, advance man of the Black Patti company has been in town all the week. The company opens at the Alhambra Sunday. N. T. Kitchi is at the Alhambra this week with a troupe of Arabs. Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Jones are at the Haymarket this week. The Burley retains the same bill for this week. Bert Grant is in town doing the rounds. Bill Cole and Norris Smith, late of "Hottest Coon in Dixie" are stationed in town. "Ruby," the new song by Messrs Shaw and Dixon, is a promising musical number. Ada Overton has it as a feature in the Williams & Walker show. James E. Hood is with the Watson "Coontown 400" company.

Gideon's Minstrels in mighty union with Rusco & Holland's Nashville Students, was the attraction at the Park theatre, Indianapolis, last Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and played to well filled houses at each performance. The show is clean from start to finish, and, together with the beautiful scenic effects, clearly demonstrated the fact that it was the best minstrel show that has played Indianapolis this season, regardless of color. The stage setting of the first part was strikingly odd and very pretty, and the costumes were all green and blue satin. The singing of Salisbury and Solom was very good and merited the applaus they each received. As premier end men Bily Miller and Julius Glenn, Bobby Kemp and Skinner Harris are right in line with any of the "top notchers" in the business, and they kept the house in an uproar. Bobby Kemp was certainly a "Ragtime Millionair," that being the song he features. Prof. S. E. Dodd, the celebrated Eb cornetist, rendering a very difficult solo, accompanied by the band, close the georgeous first part. The olio was decidedly entertaining throughout. Desdunes and Harris are undoubtedly mirth provokers; the ever popular contortion rebus, Marsh Craig, still spellbounds his audiences; the very funny "One Billy Miller" in monologue and songs, and Bobby Kemp's Whangdoodle band and quartette are all splendid performers. Ernest Hogan in late coon songs and a monologue appeared as extra. It is needless to recall his many encores for Mr. Hogan is our leading comedian on the American stage. Miss Mattie Wilkes was also a special feature and her sweet singing carried the house at every performance, as is always the good fortune of this meritorious prima donna. Every member of this superior company deserves special praise. The applause was deafning and almost continuous.

Editor Freeman.—After twelve years' experience away from minstrelsy, I willingly responded to the call of my good personal friend L. E. Gideon, manager of the Nashville Students, to visit, criticize and rearrange his show. No other living man could have induced me at this very busy juncture of my work in New York City to allow my name to appear upon a minstrel program. One week afforded me ample time to put this aggregation in position to make a decided hit at so important and auspicious a place as Indianapolis. This show, although a success in all cities visited to date, contained too much of old line minstrelsy and too little of vandeville. My first effort, therefore, was made in preparing this show (possessing excellent talent) to conform to popular demand for vandevillized minstrelsy. Through the untiring zeal and dogged persistency of my friend Gideon, he has succeeded in presenting to the lovers of this line of entertainment the most accomplished array of performers doing minstrelsy today. Such men as L. E. Gideon deserve unstinted praise and support from both professionals and laymen. The success of Mr. Gideon is due to the affinity and close relation of manager to performers. I cannot too severely condemn the growing disposition of colored performers to treat with indifference, if not contempt, colored managers. There are too many obstacles confronting the colored professionals and managers to foster such a damaging spirit. The combined opposition of white performers and white managers is already too keenly felt by us to justify the least disconcertment among us. The amicable relation existing in Mr. Gideon's show between manager and performer, should be an inspiration and a lesson to all colored aggregations. We must get together. Harmony must be our watchword. With a united front the colored artists can win despite opposition; divided, they will be completely eliminated from the American stage. All hail L. E. Gideon and his faithful Nashville Students. With continued regard for and pride in The Freeman, the best Negro journal for our profession,

I am sincerely yours,
"ERNEST HOGAN,"
New York City.

Mr. F. J. London and his Fiske Jubilee Singers are on a tour through Scotland. It is rumored that he may sell his handsome residence in Ravenna, Ohio and reside in Europe. Misses Bessie Lee and Rachael Walker, Miss Calloway and Mr. Sidney Woodward are all contented to remain abroad. If the leading comedians, who hold sway, do not stand up for the classical features and create a demand for such in organized companies, and Vandeville as well, in America, the prestige of colored shows will wane. Cole and Johnson and Black Patti's Troubadours continue to prove this fact. The absence of good solo singers who have experience and know what to sing have weakened the shows.

Mr. Barnes of the white Vandeville team of Barnes and Sisson, in an interview in a Pittsburg paper, gave out the erroneous report that Stephen C. Foster was the first writer of coon songs. Mr. Foster extracted "Old Folks at Home" and "Kentucky Home" from hearing the slaves sing. We will have Mr. Barnes to know that slave songs are not coon songs. Coon songs were originated by colored comedians in southern minstrelsy years ago. Ragtime music was discovered in colored piano players who played by ear or sound, a movement recently discerned.

SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

Saint Suttle, stage manager of Watson's New "Coontown 400," expects to play vandeville during the summer season. Mr. Suttle is well known in the vandeville circuits and this is his second season with a combination. Next season he expects to put on a play of his own, which he says, is away from the average colored shows. He says he will make his manager's name public in a short time and will be glad to hear from all of the best colored talent.

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CHAPTER XXIII.—CONTINUED.

Jack was somewhat surprised at the denoument. Finally, the man before im continued:

"In this age of boasted Christianity, it is indeed strange that some provisions are not made for the unfortunate men ischarged from penal institutions. Under the present system of arrangements the laws of the land are doing more to perpetuate crime than it accomplishes toward its subjection. If you are unfortunate enough to go to the penitentiary, God forbid that you may, you will see confined within its walls mere lads, scarcely out of their teens. Being of tender and impressionable ages it is to be marvelled at that by enforced association with the more hardened element of criminals they leave the place deeply stigmatized and better versed in crime than when they were consigned? Until the Legislature throughout the land enact laws, setting aside an appropriation for the establishment of separate institutions for the reformation of the younger class of law-breakers, society will have thrust upon it continually, from the bowels of these mis-governed institutions they now maintain, the very essence of crime deeply instilled and perfected in the young men who, through misfortune or otherwise, have been confined within their walls. Besides this, in what grander missionary work could the Christian people of the period engage than that pertaining to the elevation and redemption of the miserable creatures who are daily discharged from our prisons? Is it right or just in the broad sense of humanity—say nothing of the protection Society would obtain—that these men should be allowed to drift on in their downward ways without one kind hand extended to stay them from eternal destruction? Is it in keeping with any principle of Christianity to spurn these misguided beings simply because they have fallen? All are not by nature what a single false step may have caused them to appear; some are good and still maintain, in spite of their disgrace, traits of honor which if properly developed would make good citizens. I tell you, my lad, if one-third of the money annually collected and contributed to the funds supporting foreign missions was devoted to ameliorating the regulations governing our Penitentiaries throughout the land the standard of our morality would not only be raised but Society also would be protected from these amalgamated incursions of crime. The haughty arrogance of the Social world make this element its natural foes; the heartless indifference of the strong and prosperous to the miseries of the weak and needy, cause the wretches to feel that the breach between themselves and respectability is beyond their power to ford, and as a consequence they abandon all hope of ever becoming better men and drift on and on till they reach the last stage of total depravity. How sad it is to contemplate a wrecked life that may have missed success by ever so small a margin when one more opportunity was all that was required to make the individual prosperous and happy."

In the abstract the fellow's narrative evidently recalled scenes, around which clustered many sad memories. Try as he may he could not master the attendant emotion; the tears would steal into his eyes in spite of his every effort to stay them.

"I am not ashamed," he said at length "of the tears I shed; they are the natural adjuncts of a broken heart! Every step in my life has been a stumble and a bruise! The unhappy story I have just disclosed is analogous to many another which has often been written by the pen of truth; others will follow even to the end of time—tearful records of man's inhumanity to man. Time, they say, breeds forgetfulness; in my case I have not found it so. Locked in my breast I carry a heart's bitterness against the world's lust and selfishness which will only be wiped out in the grave, where all human love and hate find one sad level!"

With bowed head the grief stricken man arose from his seat and walked away, leaving Jack to ponder over what he had said.

CHAPTER XXIV.

THE ESCAPE.

The hot, sultry summer days have passed. October, with its biting frosts has come, and all nature has been touched and changed by its chilling winds. The foliage of the trees has assumed a crimson hue and the birds have begun to hibernate. Swift and Jack have been released from their solitary confinement; the Appellate Court having reversed the decision of the lower court granting them a "new trial."

Alas! this change in affairs brought no joy to the doomed consumptive.

The inroads of the fearful disease had reduced him to a mere shadow, and it was but a question of a few weeks at most until all would be over. The emaciated features of the man wore a tranquail submissive expression denoting complete resignation to his fate. A peculiar light beamed from his eyes; it was so calm and tender that his physiognomy radiated a docile gentleness good to behold. The truth, was Jack Ashton, the profligate, the libertine and erstwhile vagabond—had made his peace with God!

Standing near one of the narrow windows looking out upon the changed aspect nature presented in her new mantle, he was presently joined by Swift. "Brace up old fellow," he said, "I have discovered a new plan, which if properly executed will give us freedom."

Turning quietly and looking him in the face, Jack replied in a voice full of sadness:

"I fail to see how the success or failure of your plans can in any way interest me."

"Come, come old boy, never give up; once away from here in the sunlight of Heaven's pure air you will unfold and blossom out as a new being."

"Never!" said Jack, "When I leave this place it will be enroute to the tomb!"

"Pshaw! you are worth many dead men yet; however, have the good taste to listen to my plans."

"Proceed." Said Jack, whose voice had become almost a whisper.

"Well, LaRue has advanced a theory, novel indeed. He says if a small fire is kindled in one of the windows of that lower cell there on the condemned side, and the stone facings thoroughly heated they will crack, and by an immediate application of cold water will crumble and chip off in small pieces, whereupon a hole may be easily tunneled through I see no reason why the plan should not succeed. Its plausibility at any rate merits a trial and we mean to test it this very night."

"I wish you much success I am sure," said Jack. "As for myself liberty has no charms for me now. Besides, in my feeble condition, my recapture would be almost certain to follow."

"Granting that your condition is serious, surely you have no desire to die in a place of this kind? I should think your pride would prevent that."

"Pride!" said Jack, with bitter irony; "I have no pride! That is a virtue long since discarded. In fact I have nothing left me now, save the memory of what I was before I met you. No, my mind is thoroughly made up; here I shall remain until the end."

His sudden emotion threw him into a violent fit of coughing. The blood spurted from his nose and mouth, and he would have fallen but for Swift catching him in his arms and gently seating him upon a stool. He soon recovered from the effects of the hemmorhage and motioned Swift to a seat beside him. "I want to talk with you Bert upon a matter which I feel has been deferred long enough. You, of course, know that I am ill unto death, and can last but a few weeks longer at best. The time is fast approaching when I must lay down this life forever! When I met you I was a guiltess village-youth. You took advantage of my innocence and conformed me into what I am—."

"But—"

"Nay, hear me out," he demanded, holding up his bony hand, cutting off Swift's interposition. "God knows I forgive you, and in spite of my condition the result of the life you tempted me to adopt I have only good wishes for your future prosperity. I have a favor I desire to ask of you, Swift, the last I shall ever request in life. Promise me that if you succeed in escaping from this place you will lead a different and a better life. It is but little that I ask and it is for your own good; I can die with scarcely a regret if you make me this one promise. I have tried your methods in life and found them all wanting; do not destroy another innocent life as you have mine—do you promise?"

[To Be Continued.]

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FRED ALEXANDER'S FATE.

In that dreadful, cursed Sunflower State,
A Negro met an undeserving fate,
By the hands of a cowardly, cut-throat band,
Who desires to exterminate the Negroes in this land.

Doubtless the Warden, Sheriff, and some other few,
Had concocted a plan, and they all knew.
That the end of poor Fred's career was near,
But they didn't care—they had nothing to fear.

He was dragged by those friends to meet his doom,
To burn, and burn until consumed,
By the fire that destroyed that mortal frame,
Of the Negro, Fred Alexander by name.

His dear old mother was standing near,
As he pleaded with the mob, but they wouldn't hear;
He begged to bid his friends good bye,
For his doom was sealed, and he knew he must die.

They laughed with glee, as the flames leaped high,
But not one in the crowd that was standing by
Paused to think of that dreadful crime,
That would be recorded on the Book of Time!

Swiftly his life was ebbing away,
For the hand of death had seized his prey,
At last with a sigh he yielded up the ghost,
Went to face the God who loves us most.

As I sit and think of that awful deed,
Which by our God was ne'er decreed,
I wonder what our race has done,
To be constantly lynched one by one.

But, alas, there is one thought that comes to me,
That there is a land where we can be free,
Surrounded by angels, peace and love,
In that great beyond, the Heaven above!

—Alexander W. Curtis, Jr., Chicago, Ill.

Dr. McGranahan and Dr. Boyd at Normal.

Normal, Ala., Special.—Dr. Boyd delivered a very able lecture on "Success" before the Frederick Douglass Debating Club last Saturday evening. His lecture is just such what is needed not only to inspire young men and young women in college, but to fill them with proper ideas of their duties and obligations to the community in which they live. While Dr. Boyd has been a success in his practice and has accumulated a great fortune he has not forgotten his race and dedicates his large experience without money and without price to the building up of his people. He left Sunday night for his work in Nashville. Dr. McGranahan President of Knoxville College, arrived Saturday afternoon and was met at the station by Normal's excellent brass band. He delivered a sermon in the chapel on Sunday morning before the teachers, students and many white and colored visitors, which will live in the hearts of all who heard it. It was full of deep and profound research, thought, Christain fervor, sympathy and all that tends to lift up and enoble our human nature. Indeed it was one of the most powerful sermons ever heard at Normal. Dr. McGranahan delivered a lecture Monday night on "Power." It was full of sound advice, calculated to inspire and urge forward to useful and honorable citizenship all who heard it. Like his sermon it was one of the most masterly productions ever heard upon our rostrum from which many of the most learned and prominent men of the Nation have spoken. Rev. Dr. Nicola of the Seventh Day Adventist school four miles beyond Huntsville and his brother Dr. Nicola of Massachusetts and many other whites braved the raw north wind to hear this able lecture. After the lecture the teachers rendered a special programme in the reception room of the institution, while the band discoursed charming music in honor of the distinguished visitor.

News Notes.

Mobile, Ala., Special.—The Madi Gras Carnival was a grand success; quite a number of prominent colored people were in the city in attendance. Mrs. S. A. Taylor a wealthy colored lady of Utah, Ala., came to the city last week, to enter her two sons, Duncan and John into Emerson Institute. The Woman's Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. is progressing nicely. Special services were held for ladies at State street A. M. E. Z. church Sunday afternoon conducted by the president: Mrs. Strong while a similar service was held at Union Baptist church for men conducted by Rev. Frazier. The Y. M. C. A. are hoping to occupy their new home in Dearborn street in the near future. The Axiliary is doing commendable work. They meet the second Thursday in each month at the home of Mrs. M. Fannie Tart, St. Michael street. Miss Ada Johnson an estimable young lady is making an effort to establish an industrial school in Creola. Mrs. Hattie Horace is visiting her mother in Utah, Ala. Rev. A. F. Owens philanthropist, pastor of Union Baptist church is making rapid headway with the orphans and old folks home Mr. F. C. Brown headwaiter at the Battle House is gathering in competent corps of waiters from all parts of the South. Mrs. Rachel Evans, and Mr. R. E. Tart are convalescent.

NOTICE.

Books of all description for sale by Rev. G. A. Haire, agent for The Freeman. Office corner 6th and Oak Streets, Poplar Bluff, Mo.

ADDITIONAL WAITER

Colored head and side waiters seem to have everything their own way in Baltimore, Md., as nearly every hotel of any note employes colored waiters. Among the most prominent headwaiters are Messrs. C. M. Farrar and James Taylor. Mr. Farrar is the efficient headwaiter at the Merchant's club, and is the state vice-president of the H. & S. W. N. B. Association for the states of Maryland and Virginia; a position which he is filling very satisfactorily. Mr. James Taylor is the affable headwaiter at the Carrolton Hotel, and is a staunch member of the H. & S. W. N. B. Association. Thomas Pendelton is the headwaiter at the Maryland Club. Charles Berkly is headwaiter at Rennert's European Hotel, and it is said that he has one of the best drilled corps of colored European plan waiters in the United States S. Corbit is headwaiter at the St James. Robert Tucker is in charge of the dinning room at the Altmount. George Berry is headwaiter at the Albion. Thomas Hardy does the honors at the Maryland Hotel. H. Braxton is the headwaiter at the Lexington Hotel. James Harvey is in charge at the Mt Vernon. J. Johnson, formerly of Wash-D. C, is headwaiter at the City Hotel. George Lee is in charge at the Eutaw House. All of the above are capable men.

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SPORT

Edited By BREAKAWAY.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Geo. R. Memphis, Tenn.—A wins.

H. T., Denver, Col.—The Abbott, 2:03¼; Cresceus, 2:04.

W. H. C., Indianapolis, Ind.—Frank Erne was born in Switzerland.

A. A., New York.—In the game of chess can two knights mate?

Two knights by themselves cannot mate.

J. Q. W., Lexington, Ky.—Which National base ball club has won the pennant most? and which one second?

Boston. Chicago.

Dan E F., Jacksonville, Fla.—Are the indications favorable to another meeting between Corbett and Mitchell? 2. Should they meet who do you think will win?

No; never count on Mitchell until he is in the ring. 2. Corbett should win in less than 5 rounds.

E. B., Springfield, Ill.—What is meant by "dutch it" in the game of euchre?

When the trump is "made" of the same color as the original trump suit e. g., Hearts in place of Diamonds, or Clubs in place of Spades, the player is said to "make it next" or to "dutch it."

The racing board of the National Cyclists' Association has adopted a new rule by which only riders who have made a record of a mile in 2:10 or better in competition can enter in the national championships The L. A. W. records will not be accepted and only those riders who have made a 2:10 record during the two years the N. C. A. has been in existence will be eligible. Under this new rule there are fourteen men who can compete in the national championships this season. They are "Major" Taylor, George H. Collett, E. C. Hausman, W. A. Rutz, Frank Kramer, Al Newhouse, Howard Freeman, F. A. McFarland, Iver Lawson, Robert Walthour, Owen Kimble, Tom Cooper, Earl Kiser and John T. Fisher. This rule shuts out several first-class men, including Eddie Bald, Tom Butler, Jimmy Moran and Hardy Downing.

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"Do you know that pugilists, as a class, are the most superstitious people in my estimation in the world?" says Mike Conley, the Ithaca Giant.

"There is not a boxer in the profession to-day who does not possess a characteristic whim or foible. Of course, that is human nature, but the general public is not aware that many of our noted scrappers believe in talismans, such as rabbits' feet, luck stones, battered coins, &c. Even some of them go as far as to praying that defeat may not be their fate.

"Jim Jeffries is probably the most peculiar character in this respect in the ring to-day. While he openly says he is not afraid of any man his height and weight in the world, and justly so, for I consider him a great fighter, he does not take any chances. Before he enters the ring he is very nervous, and his first thoughts are of his mother. He thinks of her night and day, and believes that with her in his mind he will never lose. While in training everything must be so. His gloves must be tied a certain way, and if the strings are twisted he will kick. He thinks that it will bring him ill luck. He must have his usual seat at the table at his training quarters, and he will not do any work after a certain hour.

"Jeff likes animals, but does not want them about him on the day of an important combat. He believes that it presages sure defeat. The champion is afraid of Friday, too. On that day he is always out of humor and seldom smiles. He considers it hard luck to be jovial on that day. He invariably wears a red sweater while training, for he is of the opinion that it is a fortunate color One day while he was at work at Asbury Park for his memorable contest with Bob Fitzimmons he spied a dirty-looking cent on the road. Tommy Ryan was with him at the time, and when the champion saw the coin he was at first loath to pick it up. Turning to Ryan he said, pointing to the ground: 'There's a cent over there, Tom and I am afraid to touch it I'll take a chance, though, and if it is heads up why I'll beat Fitz without a doubt. If it isn't, why Tom, I'll get licked sure." So Jeff picked the cent up, and sure enought it was heads up. I tell you he was as happy as a child with a new toy when he discovered this, and you could not make him believe after that that Fitz had a chance.

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"George Dixon would never go into the ring without that well-worn bathrobe of his. He wore this in every battle in which he participated. It always proved a mascot to him. Of late years he has discarded it, and I guess he thinks his downfall was due to this fact. But it is a question whether it could save him from defeat at the hands of such a wonderful pugilist as Terry McGovern."

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"Speaking of McGovern, why he is one of the most superstitious boxers now in the game," continued Conley. "Terry has a habit of spitting in his shoes before he engages in a mill. He always kisses his wife, too, and I have been told that he has often prayed. On the night of his match with Oscar Gardner, while on the way to the Broadway A. C., it suddenly occurred to Terry that he had forgotten to kiss his wife. He had barely enough time to get ready and insisted that he must return to his wife, who was waiting for news of the fray at a neighboring hotel. 'I feel nervous to-night, Sam,' said McGovern to Manager Harris, 'and I think I'm going to lose.' Harris was surprised over this unexpected remark, and asked: 'Why, Terry?" Because' answered the little champion, 'I forgot to kiss the missus. I guess I'll have enough time to do so,' and without further ado Terry left the clubhouse and went to his wife. He was back in a jiffy and was apparently much relieved. When the battle was over McGovern said to Harris: 'I'm very glad that I went back to the hotel. I was punished for my forgetfulness by being knocked down in the first round and it would have served me right had I been licked.'

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"Kid Lavigne had a good way to stave off ill luck when he was forging to the front. He invariably used to dance and jig during the last week of his training.

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"Kid McCoy will never again fight on the thirteenth day of the month, no matter how large the size of the purse may be. He considers Friday his lucky day, for he was born on that day He attributes his defeats at the hands of Jack McCormick and Tom Sharkey to the number 13. He arranged the match for both of these affairs on the thirteenth of the month. You've, no doubt, noticed that the Kid always tries the ring first before he fights. Some people think this merely a test and that he walks about pressing his feet here and there simply to discover some defect or other in the canvas flooring. Not at all. It's just because he has an idea that it will bring him good luck.

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"Kid" McCoy has returned to New York. He left this country a few weeks ago and expected to remain abroad several months. He says he is back for the purpose of getting on a fight, but it is hard to see just where he can figure himself in. The only city now open to the fighters in his class is San Francisco and he has been refused a match in that city.

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EVERY ANIMAL LOVES ITSELF.

—A STORY.—

BY CHARLES ALEXANDER.

"Say, Bill," said Georgia Cracker No. 1, "What did that nigger do you fellows lynched at Jones' Station last night?" "'Deed I dunno," answered Georgia Cracker No. 2." "We have just 'pointed a committee to look into the case and find out. Its a dam sure thing that he done something."

"My son, you must be very careful how you deport yourself among the white people down here in the South land. I understand that you have had a little fracas with Col. Lumas' son. What is his name?'

"John," was the monosyllabic answer."

"Did you tell me," asked the first speaker, "that John struck you first?"

"Yes sir, he did; and not only that he called me hard names and slandered you as well. He called you a thief. When he uttered the word I told him that he was a liar. He then said that he would not let any nigger call him a liar, and then he slapped my face. This was more than I could stand, father, and so I struck him back," said William Jackson, the 18-year old son of Henry Jackson.

"Yes, my son, but I learn that you punished him quite severely; and James Smith has just informed me that the white people are excited over the affair, and he warns us to look for serious results at any moment. I do not mean to rebuke you; but you are old enough to know that we must be very careful in matters of this character while here in Georgia. While I would not have you sacrifice one iota of your manhood, I would suggest that you restrain your temper as much as possible, and treat abuse as lightly as you can."

The speaker was a splendid specimen of physical manhood. He was richly endowed with common sense as well as exceptional intelligence; and in addition to these he had acquired a pretty fair education. The upright carriage and proud poise of his head betokened absolute fearlessness His son had inherited these splendid traits and characteristics from his father, and hence he was styled by many "the new Negro."

"Father, I am sorry for what I did, if it is going to cause you any trouble."

"My son, do not say that—do not say that you are sorry for taking a manly stand. I would not have you act other than manly. I appreciate the fact that great sacrifices must be made by the Negro race if it is to attain anything like a respectable position in this country. We must strive, of course, to avoid conflicts; but when they come we must not prove cowards. We must protect ourselves. So, then, let us prepare for the emergency. I am glad your mother is not here. Get down those two Winchesters from the pegs over the door, and let us clean them up preparatory for service to-night, if the emergency requires."

That night, about 10 o'clock, the dogs in Henry Jackson's yard began to bark furiously. Both young Jackson and his father looked from the second story window of their comfortable home, and they saw in the clear moonlight fifteen men with something white over each face; a hoarse voice shouted out:

"Hi! Henry Jackson! Call off yer dogs ef yer don't want 'em killed."

"What do you men want here at this hour of the night?" asked Jackson.

"We want that darn nigger boy of yern. We are going to learn him how to respect white folks."

"What do you propose to do to him?"

"O yer needn't be afeared, we ain't got no string in ther crowd. We're jest going to give him a soun' thrashin', thet's all.

"Well, you cannot have him unless you first kill his father."

"Let's speak to the impudent nigger," said the leader. Immediately a volley was fired at the house and a rush made through the gate. But two first class Winchesters in the hands of Jackson and his son began to speak out, and each time these were discharged two men fell helpless to the ground. This retaliation was unexpected by the would-be lynchers. When the cries were heard among them: "My God! I'm shot!" "O, my head!" those who had not been injured, realizing their peril, retired from the scene. Five men were killed and two badly wounded, the balance fled for their lives

"Come, William, no time to delay now. Take that gun and bundle. We must get the midnight train before the country is aroused. Every minute is precious."

As they started from the yard they passed three of the dead men, and were about to pass another when a faint cry for water was heard from the prostrate form before them. The elder Jackson stooped down and tore off the white rag from the man's face, and the pale moonlight played upon the face of Col. Lumas, the most reliable and so-called honorable citizen of the town, distorted with mortal agony.

"Son," he said, as the two disappeared in the shadows of the wood, "every animal loves itself and will suffer death for its offspring."

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..CITY NOTES..

Mrs. Hattie Moore visited friends in Lafayette.

Mrs. Otie Blackwell was the guest of Logansport friends.

Mr. LeRoy and Miss Ida Baily left for Baltimore, Sunday.

Mrs. George Prince has returned from Peoria where she spent several weeks.

Don't miss the Jubilee and Musicale at Simpson Chapel Wednesday evening March 20.

Mrs. Margie Murray attended the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Fannie Harvey in Chicago.

Mrs. Mary Robinson an aged resident of Greensburg, Ky., returned to her home Wednesday.

Mrs. Frank Brown, of Louisville, Ky., visited her sister, Miss Mary L. Bailes W. Vermont street.

Hear Mrs. Charles Lanier at the Jubilee and Musicale at Simpson Chapel, Wednesday evening March 20.

Colored Methodist minsters meeting will meet at Simpson Chapel next Wednesday morning 10:30 a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bryant entertained a few friends at cards, Monday evening in honor of Mr. Bryant's birthday.

A social event was the opening of the Delmo club at 1320 N. Senate Ave., the evening of the 6th. The affair was a pleasant one.

The Willing Workers band will give a masque social at the residence of Mrs. N. Jackson in Yandes street Monday evening March 18.

Hon. J. Frank Wheaton ex-member of the Minnesota Legislature and a well known politician was in the city Saturday. He left for New York, Sunday.

New York State of Simpson Chapel, will give a Jubilee and Musicale at that Church Wednesday evening March 20. An elegant program will be rendered.

Mr. and Mrs Willis Bryant entertained Monday evening, at their home, 807 East Wyoming street, in honor of their twelfth anniversary, and Mr. Bryant's birthday.

A song recital for the benefit of sufferers from the Galveston flood was given at Corinthian Baptist church, Sunday night, by the Zenda Club, assited by the choir of the church.

Mrs. Jennie S. Boyd, G. H. P., has returned from Kokomo, Ind., where she made her annual visit in the interest of the Daughters of Tabernacle of which order she is a prominent member.

Mrs. Emily Smith is dead after a short illness. Mrs. Smith was the mother of Messrs. Lon and Carter Smith. Mrs. Smith was a member of Second Baptist church from which her funeral occurred Saturday the 2nd.

The Young Men's Prayer Band met at South Calvary Baptist church last Sunday afternoon. The regular program was dispensed with and the recent lynching discussed. The band will meet next Sunday at Shiloh Baptist church.

Mr. Lewis Lawson, of Shelbyville, Ky., was in the city this week the guest of his daughter Mrs. E. C. Knox and other relatives. Mr. Lawson was enroute home from Chicago where he went to attend the funeral of his sister Mrs. Mildred Ballard.

Eastern Beauty Tabernacle No. 510, will raffle a Polk in white house quilt at 10 chance March 23, at U. B. F. Hall, Circle and Market streets. See this beautiful quilt at Brosnan Brothers, E. Washington street. Jennie S. Boyd, H. P., Peachy Mc Dade, C. R.

Mr. George L. Pickrin and Miss Alliene Garfield were joined in wedlock Thursday evening Feb. 28, at the home of the groom's brother Mr. Ferdinand Pickrin 1217 North Senate Ave. Rev. Ferrell performed the ceremony at which a few friends were present and enjoyed a very pleasant evening. Refreshments were served by Mrs. F. Pickin assisted by Mrs. James Tandy and Mrs. Wm. Banks.

Simpson Chapel Notes.

Services last Sunday were well attended. The pastor preached morning and evening to the delight of the large audiences present. The afternoon Sunday school is increasing in number, and with the return of better weather, Mrs. Johnson, the faithful and efficient teacher, hopes to reach the hundred mark in attendance. The States are hard at work for their final Revenue Report for the Conference year, and hope to collect at least $400 00. Each Gov. is putting forth strong efforts to bring his State up to the required mark. Gov. Knox is being hard pressed, for the supremacy, Gov. Rogister, Gov. Bybee, of the Hoosier State, declares that Indiana must be taken in account at the final reckoning. Gov. Grysell is not saying much, he expects to bring Tennessee well up to the front. Everything is being made ready for the Annual Conference. The pastor has been working, as never before, to secure homes for his 143 brother pastors, who are to be the guests of Simpson Chapel for a week. Quite a number of the members attended the lecture of Dr. Thirkield at Meridian street church on Monday last, and were rewarded by hearing one of the ablest white men in the country, present in his ablest and strongest manner the needs, wishes, and merits of the Negro. Usual services to-morrow. The pastor will preach morning and evening. At 3 p. m., there will be a special sermon to Indiana. The friends are invited. Sunday, March 24, at 3 p. m., there will be a Family service, and a cordial invitation is extended all who desire to attend It is the request and wish of the pastor that families will be seated together. Annual Conference begins with an Epworth League Anniversary, Tuesday night March 26, led by Secretary I. G. Penn.

Seed Time and Harvest.

Probably three fourths of the kitchen gardens throughout the country have not been treated to a complete new outfit of seeds for many years, and oftentimes the commonest kind of vegetables are grown. The attention of our readers is called to the offer made in this paper by the reliable seed house, J. A. Everitt Seedsman, Box 105. Indianapolis, Ind., whereby, for a trifling investment you can obtain a complete supply of seeds of the best new and improved vegetables, such as will cause your garden to be the envy of the whole neighborhood.

Chattanooga News.

Chattanooga, Tenn.,—Special Chattanooga news seems to have been scarce of late, but the plucky city is by no means asleep. Prof. W. H. Councill, of Normal, Ala., aroused the natives on the 14th inst, at Warren Chapel, A. M. E. church, by his lecture, "The Negro As He Is: Things As They Are." The daily papers printed the speech entire. The church was crowded with a mixed audience, among whom were many of the white pastors of the city churches. Mrs. Malinda Taylor, the chairman of the stewardess board had charge of the refreshments, assisted by a select committee. Rev. Dr. J. A. Jones, the pastor had charge of the affair. Rev. C. H. Trusty of the Presbyterian church, presided at the meeting. Rev. R. J. Buckner of the M. E. church introduced the speaker. A rich entertainment was given at ths First Baptist church on the 23rd ult., in the interest of the Colored Library Association. The principal features of the occasion were the recitations by Misses Beatrice Stallon, Mattie Boisean and Addie Robinson. Miss Stallon's recitation of "Zingarella the Gypsy Flower Girl" was the hit of the evening. Miss Addie Robinson, probably the most brilliant young lady of her age in the city recited a selection from Dunbar. She is only 14 years old, and is the organist of Warren Chapel, A. M. E. church. The revival at the A. M. E. Zion, held by the class leaders' union was a success. Rev. R. J. Hogg is conducting a meeting this week at Warren Chapel. The members of Warren Chapel are preparing to organize a Zobo band: It will consist of boys and girls as well as older people.

News From the Saintly City.

St. Paul, Minn., Special.—Rev. W. D. Carter has been quite ill with the lagrippe. Mrs. James Smith is up and around after a long period of illness. Frederick L. Magee has gone to Washington, D. C. The wedding of Mrs. Bell Clay and Mr. Oscar Sanders has been announced. The George Washington dinner party given by the young ladies of Pilgrim Baptist church was a decided success. The Misses Combs entertained in honor of Miss Blanche Keemer, Feb. 24, very dainty refreshments were served. Mrs. Cloak's little baby girl has been very ill. The talented troupe of Messers. Henry and Edward Southall has returned after a tour throughout Minnesota. Miss Blanche Keemer has returned to her home in Springfield, Ohio. There are two new colored doctors, in the persons of Geo. W. James and Wm. Francis. Mr. Hiram Kirtley has had trouble with the bookkeeper at Magee's Restaurant where he is head waiter. Mrs. Doctor Turner is quite ill. Mrs. Edgar De Baptiste lately gave a masquerade party at her beautiful home on Rondo street: All the elite were in attendance. Mr. Creole Beasley has been confined to his bed with the pneumonia for the past week. The beautiful edifice of R. C. Minor that is being constructed is nearing completion. Rev. Lena Mason was a visitor in St. Paul the other day. The series of lectures given at St. James A. M. E. church last week, on the treatment of the natives of Africa by the Boers was quite interesting. The Freeman can be found at Whitlows' stand on Fifth street near Robert every Saturday.

HOUSTON BRIEFS

The Weekly Happenings of the Texas City

Houston, Tex., Special.—The Freeman can be found on sale at corner of Main and Congress every Sunday morning by Chas. Demon, agent, or at 512 Main street by James Samuel Green, correspondent. Lookout for the Houston news, which will appear every week in this paper, as the writer wishes to add new subscribers to his list in the next 30 days. Tell your friends about The Freeman, the king of Negro journals. Sidney C. Isles and James Samuel Green have organized a dramatic club here and will present to the public in a couple of months "All that Glitters is Not Gold," with an excellent cast. Morris Wilson returned from New Orleans last week, after staying only a few days with his parents. Read The Freeman and keep posted, only 5 cents a copy. George Jones, Jr., was married last month to Miss Nellie Turner, one of Houston's popular young ladies at Antioch Baptist church; Rev. F. L. Lights performed the matrimonial rites; after the ceremony at the church a wedding reception was tendered the couple at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Hicks. Payton Ruffin visited Galveston recently and had a very pleasant time. Gentry Bros. Dog and Pony show exhibited here three days, beginning Feb. 28. Charles Wandoner, formerly of this city, is now a resident of Waco, Texas. The Ragalan club will give an entertainment at Odd Fellows' hall soon; James H. Monroe is president of the club, every body should go out on that night. A large force of hands are busily engaged in the work of the Louisiana street car extension. The Independent and The Houston Van, the two popular Houston colored papers, have agreed to have an entertainment for mutual benefit at the Odd Fellows' hall soon. J. J. Nashburn, our popular shoemaker, will make a nice pair of spring boots or shoes to order. Read The Freeman. The Baptist Pastors' General Convention of this city and Harris county met in the Camp Zion Baptist church, of which Rev. C. H. Smith is pastor, for the purpose of electing the annual officers. Remember that there will appear each week Houston news in this paper.

Muncie Items.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Rev. Coleman delivered an excellent sermon on "Christian Life," which was very well received and highly appreciated by all who heard. Mrs. Fowler and Mrs. Bell Williams united with the A. M. E. church Sunday evening. A "Carrie Nation Drill" and New England supper was given Monday evening at the A. M. E. church by the members of the Juvenile Choir. The Steward of the same church will give a literary entertainment on March 11, all are cordially invited to attend. Mr. Guy a promising young man recently from Michigan has establish an office for the Indiana Accidental Insurance Co., in the Little block and has in his employ Mr. Charles Baily of Springfield, O. Both are young men and bid fare to a brilliant and successful career in the business world. Mr. Chat Patterson and wife of Darke County are in the city visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Will Rider have moved into their residence to 602 South Madison street and will be pleased tosee friends. Mrs. W. H. Stokes is ill with la grippe at her home on South Jefferson. Mrs. Vahn is on the sick list. Communion services were held at Second Baptist church Sunday afternoon. Mr. Warner Richardson who has been employed at a hotel at Albany is reported ill. A mistake was made in reporting the Dancing Academy opened. Instead of being open, will open soon conducted by Mr. Will Rider and wife. The Eagle band expect to furnish music for the K. of P. at Anderson, Ind., March 31.

Macon News.

Macon, Mo., Special.—The revival meetings at the A. M. E. church still continue with much success. Quited a number of "Macon's Amateur" are rehearsing for a minstrel and will appear before the public soon. Ervin Harris managers. Mr. Edmore Rutherford of Des Moines is visiting relatives and friends of this city for a few weeks from here he will go to Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Rutherford is a very clever performer on a double base violin. Quite number of visitors attended the exercises at the Western College Friday evening the program was well rendered especially the music by the mandolin club; a nice time was spent by all who were present. Mr. J. C. Brown pleasantly entertained a number of his Friday night class Saturday evening. Ellis Henderson made a flying trip to Shelbina Sunday, he reports as having had a nice time.

MEMPHIS SOCIETY

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most effectively decorated in white and green. Delicious refreshments were served in several courses. Music and games were the features of the evening. The guests were: Mr. Martin, Miss Maggie Jordan, Miss Ella Owens, Miss Rosa Lee, Miss Pearl Robinson, Miss Henrietta Lewis, Miss Nona Parks, Mr. Jordan Bell, Mr. Will Goodwin, Mr. Robert Bodwell, Mr. Henry McNary, Mr. Robert Lee, Mr. Cooper. * * The Twilight Social Club of Collins Chapel was delightfully entertained last Friday evening by Miss Minnie Mootry and Miss Nellie Mootry, at their home on Washington street. After the meeting adjourned games and music occupied the attention of the club members, previous to the serving of dainty refreshments. J. L. Brinkley, Captain. Miss Minnie Mootry, Assistant. * * Well, the odds are 100 to 1 on George Smith having the finest and cheapest Cosmopolitan cafe in the county of Shelby and the State of sunny Tennessee, at 142 Beal street. Mr. Smith spares no pains in setting a beautiful table, lavishly decorated with delicacies of the season. So after church drop in, for he is the man to tell you when to eat. You can always find the Freeman at George Smith's Cafe, 142 Beal street. * * Miss Imogene Dobbins was in our city and spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. M. Reed, at 215 Beal street. * * The most delightful of the evening affairs of the week was the Tacky Party given by Club No. 26 of Collins Chapel, Feb. 26, 1901, at the residence of Mrs. A. Reems, 337 Dunlap street. A Reems captain. The decorations were artistically simple. The costumes were appropriate for the occasion. Dainty refreshments were served in the latest style. The sweet strains of music filled the air. * * Delightful dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Eavens last Sunday in honor of Mr. J. L. Brinkley and Mr. Will Goodwin, at their beautiful residence, 307 Air street. * * Dr. Charles Shelby, one of our Memphis boys, has finished his medical studies, and he expected to locate in our city. We know the la grippe is raging, so if you need a doctor call on him. We will let you know where he will be located in our next issue. * * Bishop Lane officiated at Collins Chapel communion, last Sunday. He was presented with a handsome present on his 67th birthday.

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Memphis, Tenn., Special. — Thursday night, the 28th ult., at their annual free opening, had a grand time and I never met so large a nnmber of young people before at a club meeting and to be so jolly, I never enjoyed myself better before in my life and dainty refreshments of all kinds were in abundance. All credit for this grand occasion of jolly socialism is due to our stalwart energetic young men, officers as follows: Wilson J. Phillips, president; Henry Southall, treasurer; Flourney Dogan, secretary; James Hays, marshall of order. Misses Ella Carr and Effie White, our fair hostess performed elegant assistance for us; they received the guests so gracefully and made things so homelike for them until they received bushels of compliments from our visitors. So with a bosom full of sincere wishes to the club's success, Peter Montgomery your agent, also Mr. Montgomery came up in time to act as our dispensing chef. He served splendidly. Mrs. Dr. Charles H. Phillips, vice president of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs did lecture before the Women's Clubs of Memphis, Wednesday evening, February 27, theme of lecture: "Power and Place of Women." This lecture was given under the management of the Sojourner Truth Club and all the ladies' clubs were invited. The Young Women's Industrial and Social Circle of the Tabernacle Baptist church, give a dimension party at Howe School, March 1. The following program was rendered to a well filled house: Remarks—Mrs. H. C. Thomas; Invocation—Rev. N. H. Pins; Instrumental Solo — Miss Lina Bentley; History of Circle—Miss Lelia E. Hood; Quintette—Messrs. Maclin, L. B. Hemmingway, M. Elder, Ballod and Miss S. L. Saunders; Instrumental Duet—Messrs. J. A. Hooks and L. B. Hemmingway; Duet—Messrs. Elder and Maclin; Recital—Miss Mary Jones; Duet—Miss S. L. Saunders and L. B. Hemmingway. After the rendition of the program the guests enjoyed the repast of the evening. Notice is given to the barbershop at 55 Beal street, known as the "Midway Shaving Parlor," has been newly over hauled; four of the the latest reclining climax chairs with four first-class barbers, all new model improvements, all work guaranteed satisfactions, also good order. The proprietor of this shop is J. T. Tunstell, successor to J. W. Irvin. Please drop in and give him a call, you will never regret the opportunity and the good service, particular attention taken with all customers; the proprietor will see to the same.—J. T. Tunstell.

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Cincinnati Tidings.

Cincinnati, O., Special.—The Fleischmann colored Republican Club of this city attended the inaugaration at Washington the club is a very strong political organization and with their new uniforms made a good showing in parade. The club is named after Hon. Julius Fleischmann the mayor of Cincinnati and he is proud of his black boys when he sees them on parade. Lonnie Crosby and his wife is visiting his people. The St. Mary's tabernacle gave a entertainment at the residence of Mrs. Mattie Simmons, Wednesday Feb. 27, 1901.

News Items.

Alexander, La., Special.—The subscribers of The Freeman, will do well to see A. L. Butler (Freeman's agent) before ordering their spring and summer suits who has a nice cheap line of samples on exhibition at the Rapides Hotel. $15 suits for $10, $6 pants for $4 made to your measure and taste. Anderson Blackstone, age 86 years was the center of attraction last Sunday when he gave Rev. Mr. Davis, pastor of Union Baptist church, his hand for membership. Wm. Miller and C. A. Dyer are contemplating a trip to St. Louis via Hot Springs 10th prox.

FROM THE CREAM CITY

Our Milwaukee Correspondent Sends in His Weekly Round

Milwaukee, Wis., Special.—An excellent program was carried out at the Y. M. S. club Sunday, Feb. 24; a large and an apappreciative audience was in attendance. last Sunday Mr. Spooner addressed the club; he is the son of our able senator. The Mt. Zion Baptist mission, a new organization in the work of Christ, located at 27 St. Paul ave.; deacon boards: John Oley, Alfred Colplin, Jesse B. Bennett and Theodora Fritz; preaching every Sunday at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.; Wednesday evening preaching and prayer meeting Friday evening; the public is invited to attend these services; Rev. W. S. Jimmerson, a young minister of the gospel, is pastor. The Freeman is for sale by J. D. Cook, 391 6th street, or rooms 12 and 13 Plankinton House; sample copies can be had by applying at the above places. Mrs. Carrie Nation's emulators in the Cream city Saturday evening; they visited Mrs. Ray's residence, 243 6th street and smashed every window in the house, and it was zero weather, too. The police have not located the miscreants yet. The Cream city is one of the most orderly cities in the union; for a city of three hundred thousand inhabitants not one arrest has been made in six days. Mrs. T. B. Sanford has arrived from Quincy, Ill., after an extended visit to relatives. D. Brown has left for Madison, Wis., and other Wisconsin cities, representing the life and work of Booker T. Washington; every colored family should have a school history of the Negro race in their home; for particulars consult The Freeman agent, or The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind. John Sims of Chicago is in the city and residing on Wells street. H. B. Bradford of Texas, after a sojourn of one month here, has gone to St. Paul, Minn. James McFadden has gone to Cincinnati, O.

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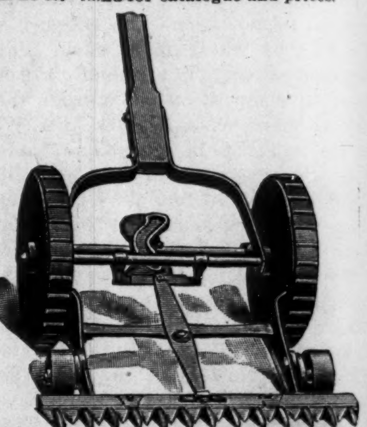

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